Archdiocesan Restructuring Workbook

Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish

Sterling Heights

Planning Area 13

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About the Workbook

There are three sections of this workbook, each one equips priests and key parish leaders with essential data about:

1) The Archdiocese of Detroit
2) Your planning area
3) Your parish

This workbook serves as a planning resource to support thoughtful reflection on the current strengths and future opportunities for ministry and evangelization within each planning area.

Prayer for Archdiocesan Restructuring

Come, Holy Spirit.

Make your presence known as we restructure the parishes
and ministries of our archdiocese.

Be our light on the path we walk together.
Help us hear your voice in the quiet of our own hearts,
in the wisdom of others and in the world around us.

We know you are with us in every step of the process.
Give us clarity, understanding, and direction.
In all things, help us share the light of your love. Amen.

Ste. Anne, pray for us.
Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.
Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Why Archdiocesan Restructuring?

Many parishes were built or grew in a time when Christian values and assumptions were the norm. Faith was inherited and the Church held cultural influence.

There is no doubt that the culture around us, both in the United States and locally in the Archdiocese of Detroit, has changed. The mission, however, has not; it has always been to “go and make disciples” (Matthew 28:19)

Why Archdiocesan Restructuring?

I dream of a "missionary option", that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-perseveration.

Evangelii Gaudium, 27

Why Archdiocesan Restructuring?

The renewal of structures demanded by pastoral conversion can only be understood in this light, as part of an effort to make them more mission-oriented, to make ordinary pastoral activity on every level more inclusive and open, to inspire in pastoral workers a constant desire to go forth and in this way to elicit a positive response from all those whom Jesus summons to friendship with himself.

Evangelii Gaudium, 27

Archdiocesan Restructuring Process

Why?

As we move forward on mission, we must first address the challenges of our changing culture, which include demographic and financial shifts, a decline in the practice of the faith, and fewer priests serving our archdiocese. These challenges have resulted in limited resources to serve, sustain, and grow the Church in Detroit.

How?

The Archdiocesan Restructuring process will examine the existing Families of Parishes structure, as well as the structure of the Curia, to discern how we can be structured and how our resources can be best aligned "for the evangelization of today's world rather than for [our] self-preservation" (Evangelii Gaudium, 27).

Archdiocesan Restructuring Challenges

Our Goal for Restructuring

Develop a new pastorate model authored by the Holy Spirit that establishes a vibrant Catholic presence in every area of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Vibrant Parishes

Gospel renewal in our parishes and other ministry efforts

Flourishing Priests

Priests flourishing in their ministry to parishes and the greater community

Mission Ready

Secure a vibrant future for the Church of Detroit

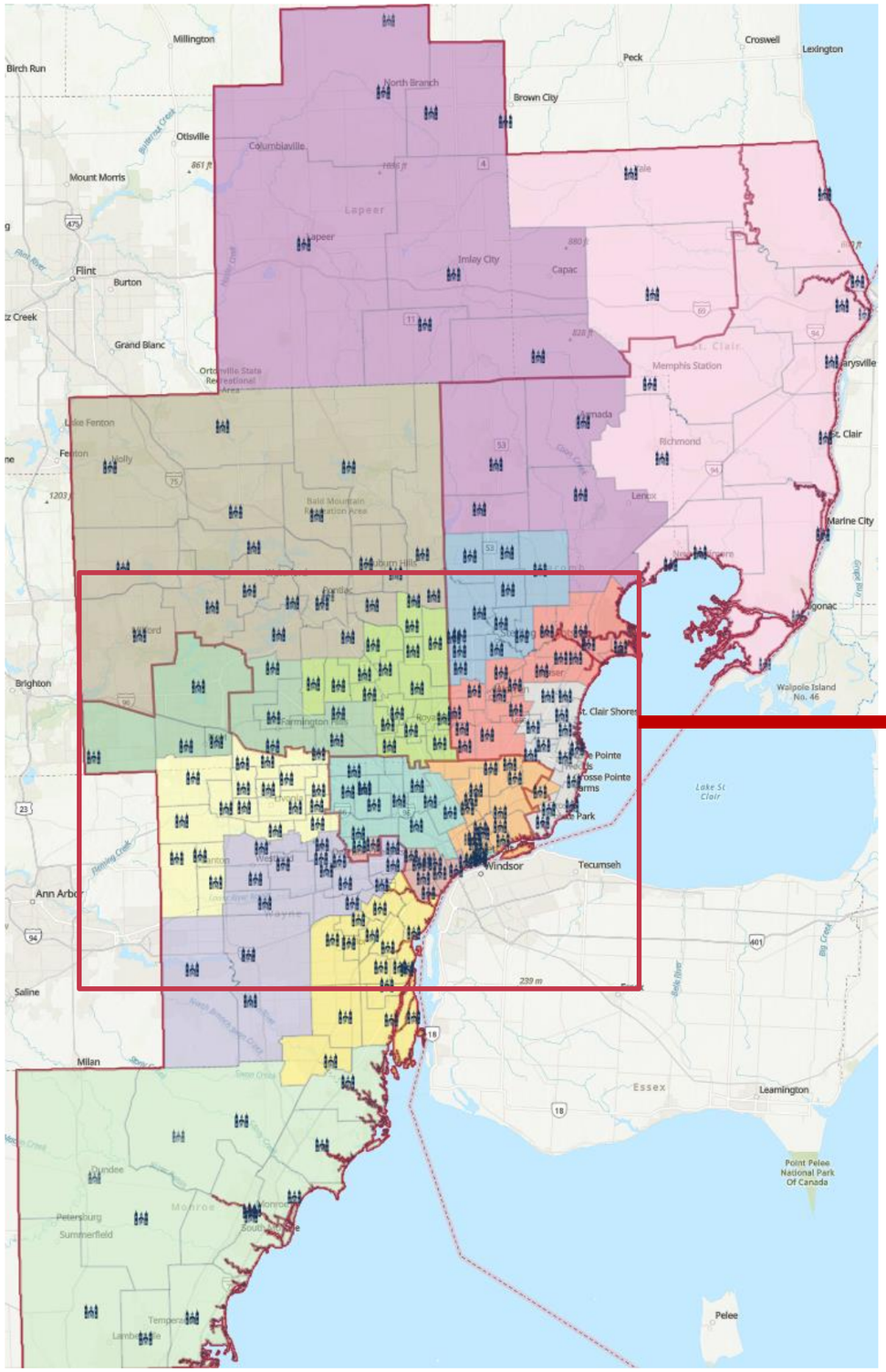
Section One

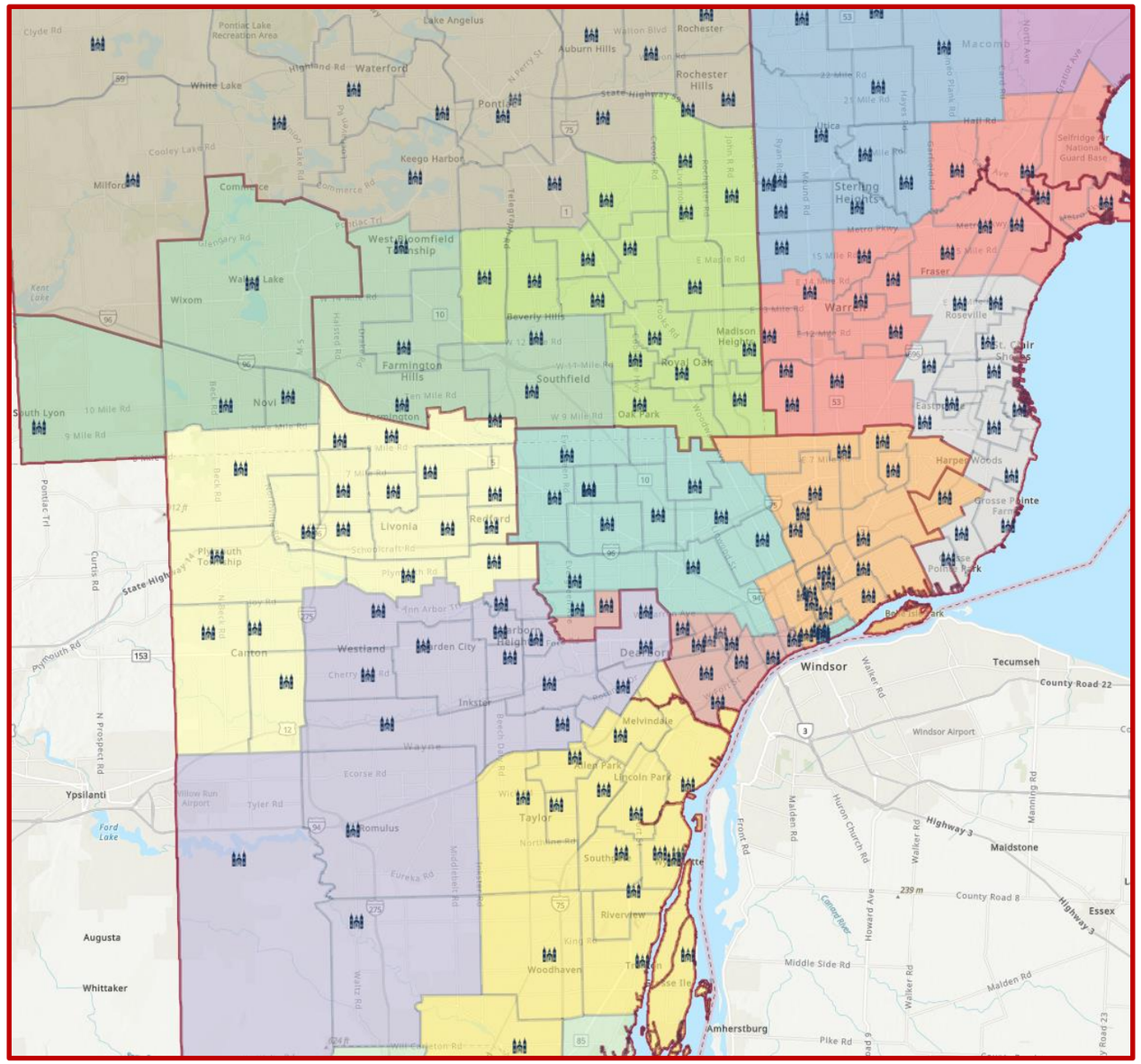
The Archdiocese of Detroit

About our Archdiocese

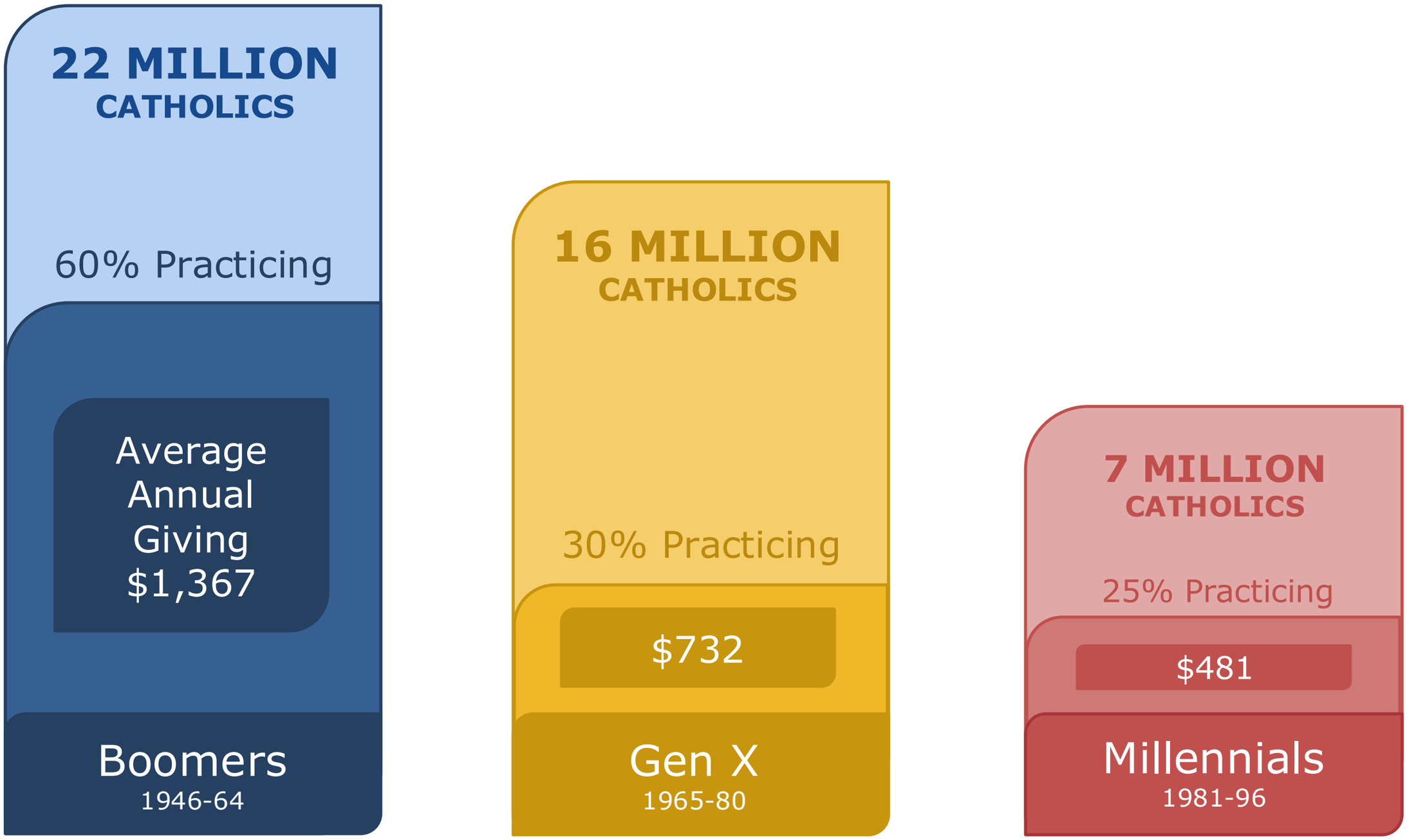
- The Archdiocese of Detroit is comprised of 209 parishes encompassing the City of Detroit and six surrounding counties – a large and diverse territory: urban, suburban and rural.
- Our local church has been declining for several decades as older Catholics move or die and there are insufficient number of young Catholics to take their place.
- This is best exemplified by the significant decline in the number of births and baptisms in our diocese.
- As our Catholic population has moved from the city to the near suburbs and from the near suburbs to the farther out suburbs, this has resulted in too few priests in large parishes and too many priests in small parishes.
- Our diocesan priests are aging and the number of priests to serve our Catholic population is declining.
- Over the past decade, Mass attendance has been on a steady decline. Despite a rebound from 2020 to 2024, Mass attendance remains 14.7% below pre-COVID levels.
- The current average rate of Mass attendance decline each year across the Archdiocese is 4%.

Our Territory for Evangelization



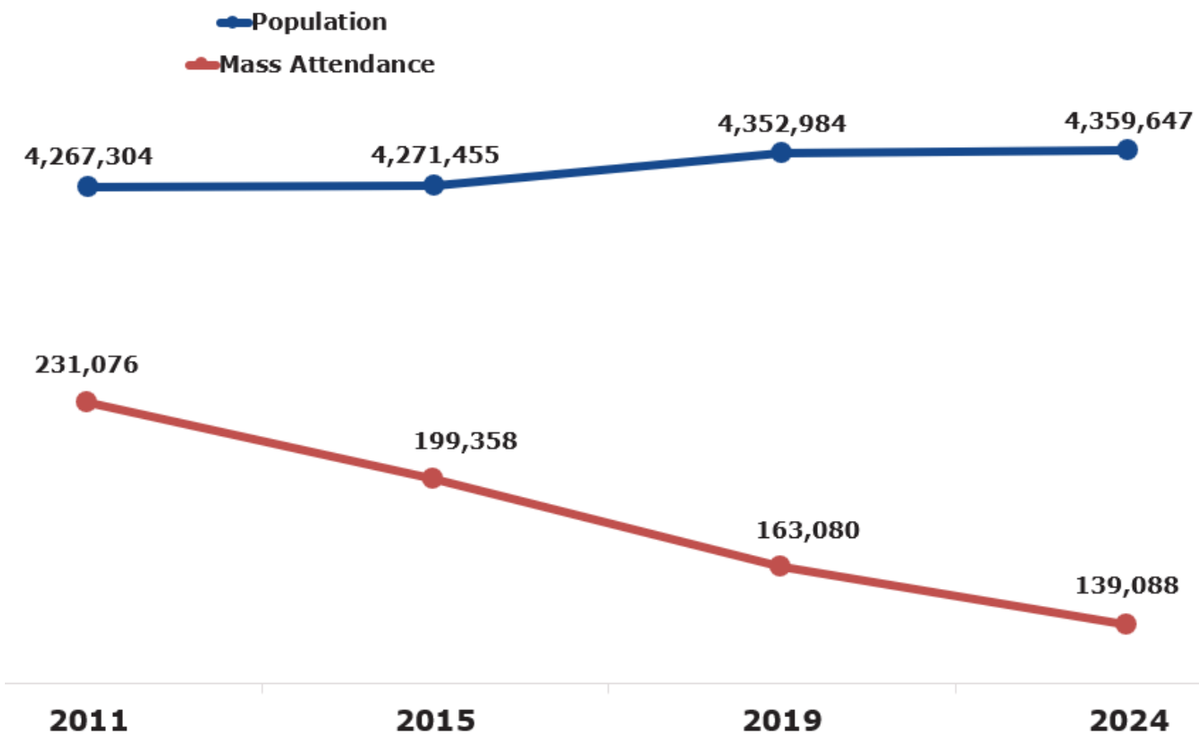


Nationally, Practice and Generosity are Declining with Each Generation



Source: Catholic Leadership Institute | CARA | Pew Research

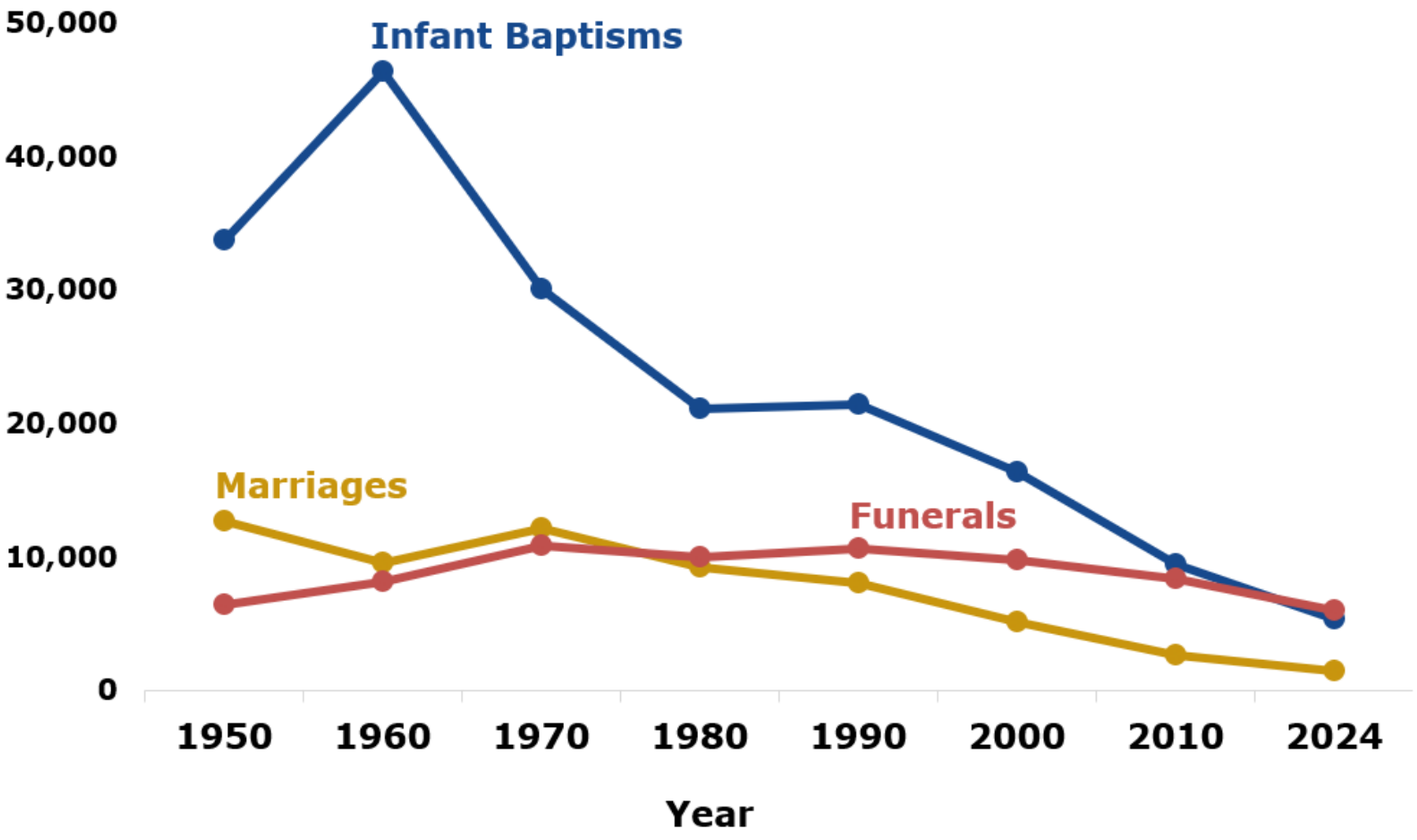
As Greater Detroit Population Grows, Regular Mass Attendance Continues to Decline



Population Source: Michigan Senate Fiscal Agency

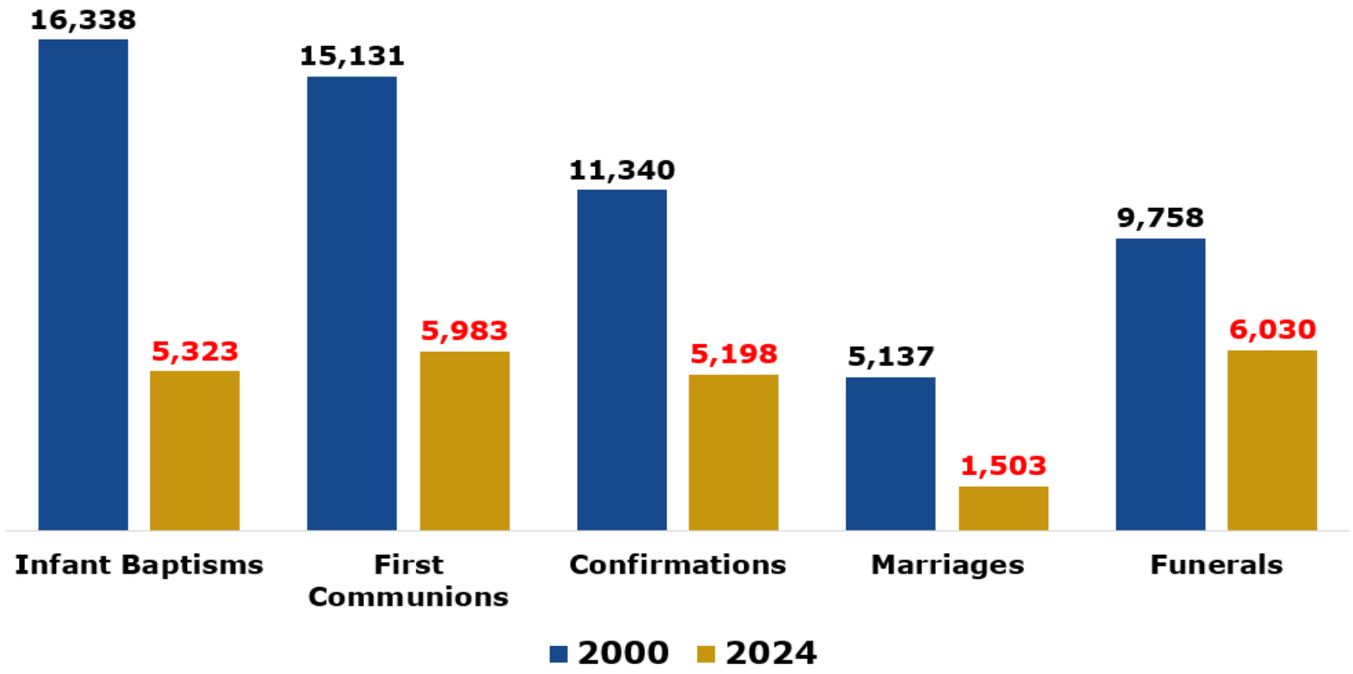
- **Mass attendance has declined by nearly 92,000 people since 2011, dropping from 231,076 to 139,088 by 2024 – a 40% decrease in just 13 years.**
- The decline is persistent across every period, not a one-time drop:
  - 2011 -> 2015: down 31,718 (-13.7%)
  - 2015 -> 2019: down 36,278 (-18.2%)
  - 2019 -> 2024: down 23,993 (-14.7%)
- On average, Mass attendance has fallen by about 4% per year, meaning roughly 1 in every 25 regular attendees is lost annually if the trend continues.
- At the current rate of decline, one-third of today's Mass-attending Catholics will no longer be attending within the next decade.
- In 2024, only 29% of pews were occupied across the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Our Church is Growing Older, Not Younger



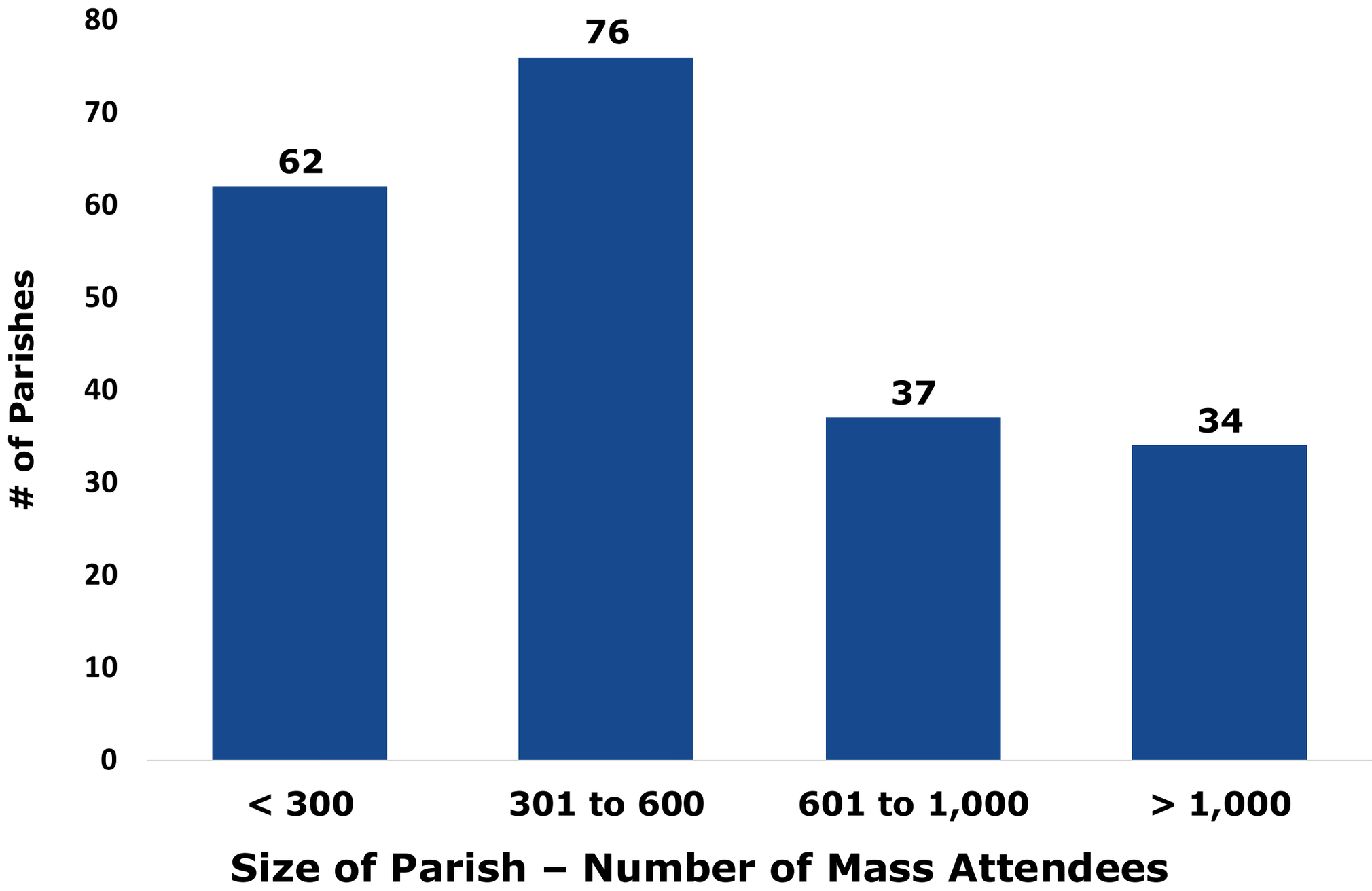
- Infant baptisms have declined the most dramatically—by roughly 60-70% from peak to present, showing a sharp and sustained drop after an early high point and signaling a major contraction in new families entering the Church sacramentally.
- Marriages have fallen by approximately 40-50% over the period shown, with a brief early increase followed by a steady, long-term decline, ending at their lowest level in the most recent year.
- Funerals have remained comparatively stable, fluctuating within roughly a 10-20% range, before tapering downward—indicating that overall sacramental life is increasingly weighted toward later stages of life rather than beginnings.

Funerals Now Exceed All Other Sacraments

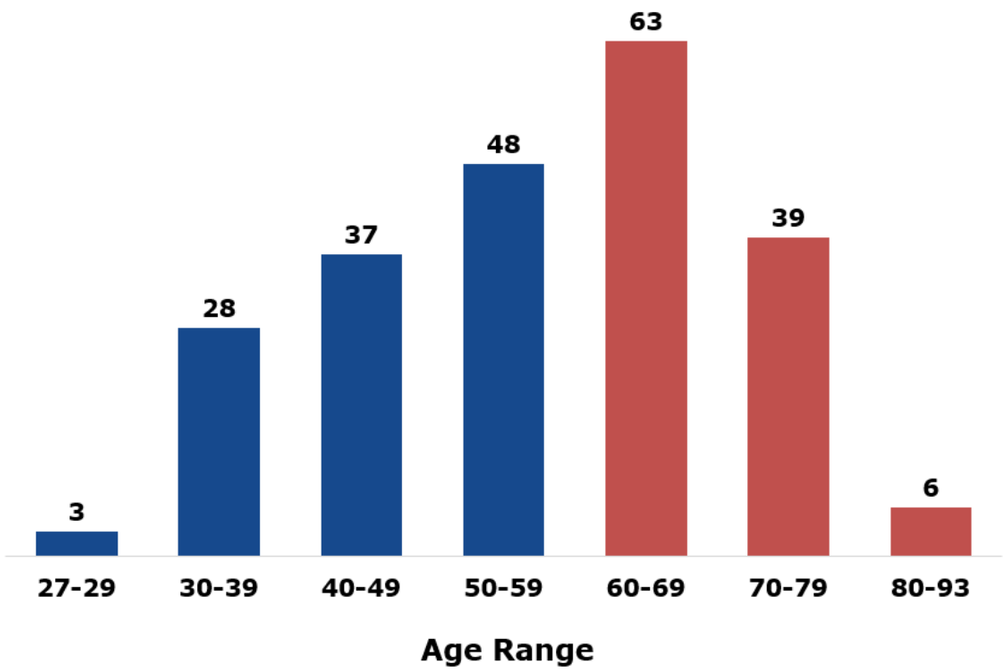


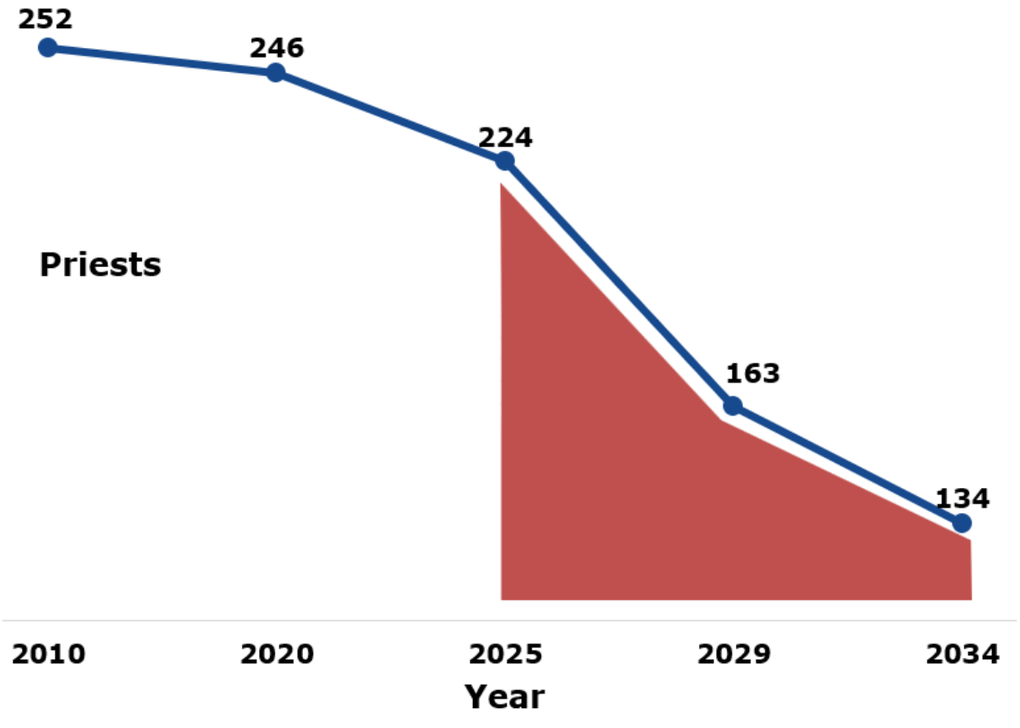
- Funerals now exceed every other sacrament at roughly 6,000 annually, surpassing baptisms, marriages, and confirmations individually.
- Baptisms and marriages remain at or below 5,000 per year, reinforcing earlier trends showing fewer people entering and forming within the Church.
- Sacramental life is increasingly concentrated at end-of-life, reflecting an aging Catholic population and a shrinking pipeline of new participants.

Today, 138 Parishes of 209 Have Under 600 Regular Mass Attendees



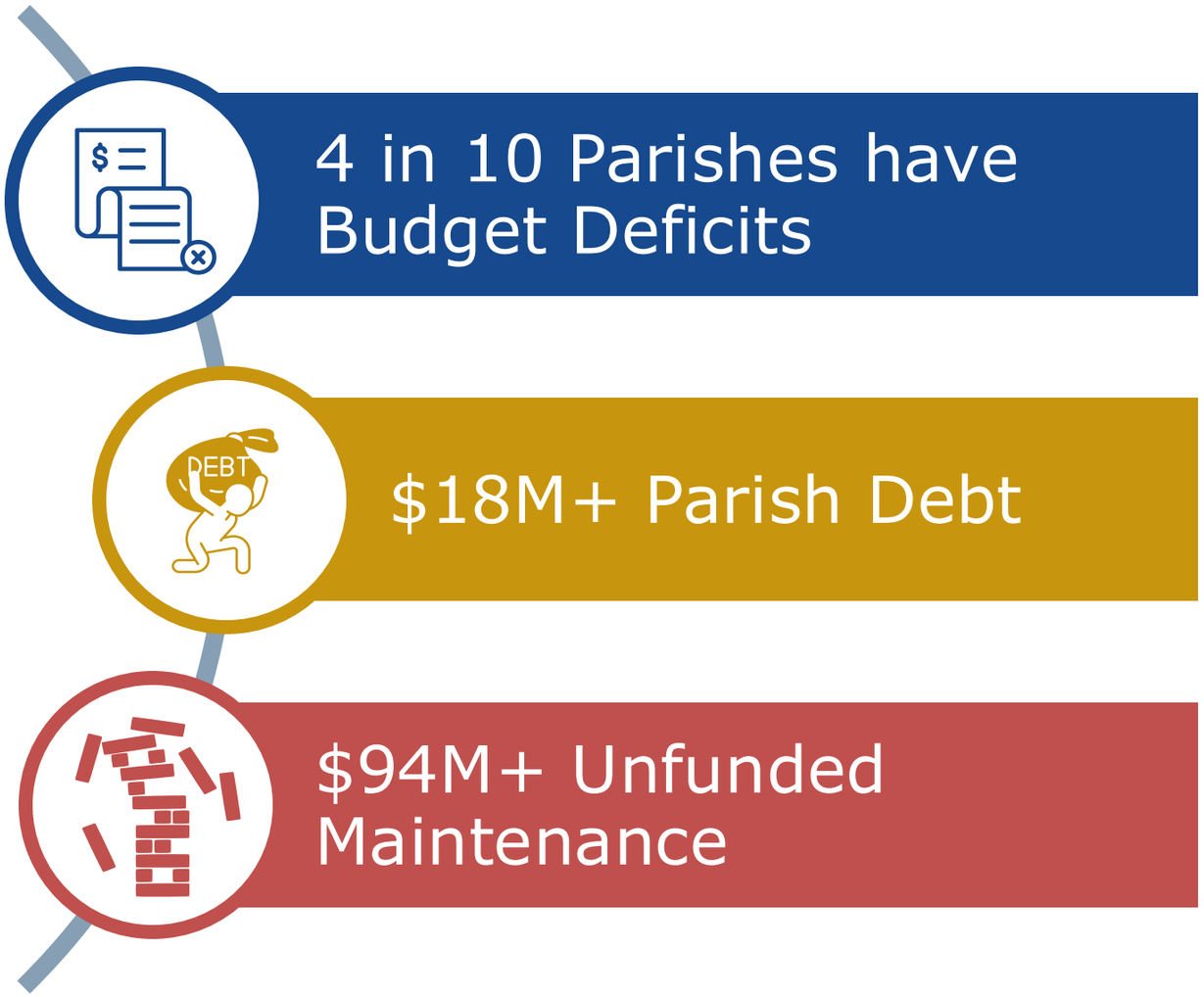
Projected Priest Supply Will Not Meet Demand





- Priests may retire from parish ministry at age 70 and must take senior status after age 80, which significantly reduces the future pool of available priests.
- The number of diocesan priests is projected to decline by roughly 25-30% over the next decade, while the diocese must continue to serve 209 parishes.
- As priests reach retirement age (70), projected supply falls below the total number of parishes, eliminating the feasibility of one priest per parish.
- The projected shortfall is equivalent to dozens of parish assignments, before accounting for parishes that require 2-3 priests.

Heavy Financial Burdens Limit Parish Freedom for Ministry and Evangelization



- With 4 in 10 parishes operating at a deficit, a growing share of parish leadership time and resources is focused on covering shortfalls rather than advancing pastoral mission.
- More than $18 million in parish debt and $94 million in unfunded maintenance are tying parish finances to buildings and past decisions instead of present evangelization and ministry.
- Financial strain increasingly directs parish energy toward sustaining facilities, limiting the capacity to invest in people, formation, and outreach central to the Church's mission.

Section Two

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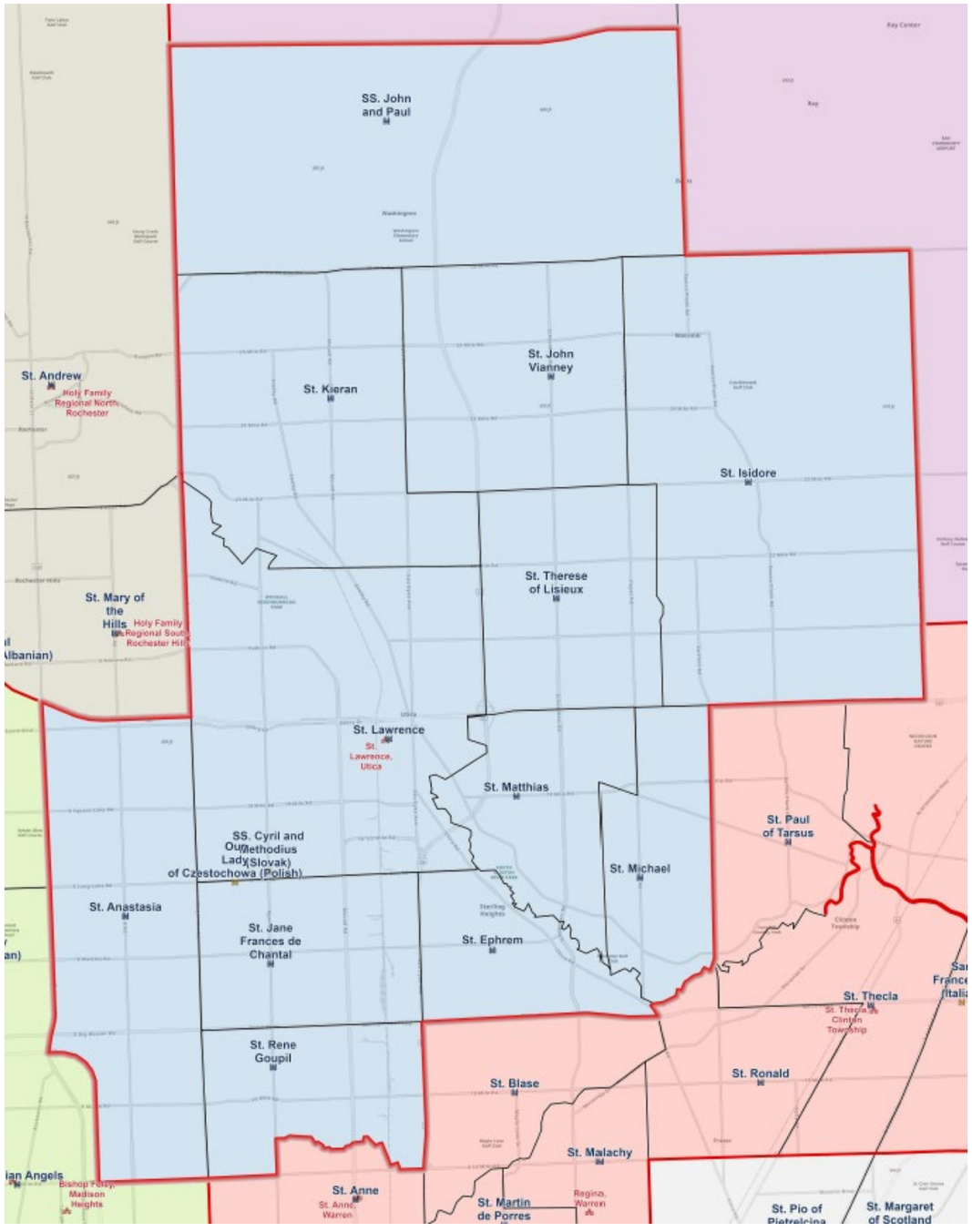

About Our Planning Area

- The planning area is primarily in Macomb County, with the southwest corner extending into Oakland County. Its boundaries run north–south from 26 Mile Road to 14 Mile Road and east–west from Dequindre Road to Caro Road in the northern section, to Garfield Road in the center section and to Van Dyke Road in the southern section.

- This planning area falls within the Northeast Region of the Archdiocese of Detroit.

- The area includes 12 territorial parishes and 2 personal parishes with a total of 14 worship sites and 1 school. It is currently served by 13 Archdiocesan priests and 5 Religious/Extern priests.

- The planning area spans roughly 13 miles north to south, about a 25-minute drive from end to end. Parishes and church buildings are relatively close to one another, with the furthest distance being about 6 miles.

Demographic Trends

- Total population has increased by 7% since the 2010 census.
- Registered Catholic households have decreased 20% since 2010.
- 8.9% of total households in the area are registered Catholic, which is higher than the archdiocesan average of 5%.
- Median age is 42.3 years (up 3 years since 2010).
- Median household income in the area is $87,824, higher than the archdiocesan average of $72,109.
- The area's racial makeup has become much more diverse, with the diversity index rising from 24 to 41 (+17 points) since 2010.

US Census Data

Parish Name	Asian/Pacific Islander	Black/African American	Hispanic /Latino	Native American	Other Race	Two or More Races	White
SS. John and Paul Parish	0.7%	1.7%	5.7%	0.2%	1.3%	5.6%	90.4%
St. Anastasia Parish	21.8%	4.4%	1.9%	0.0%	1.4%	4.7%	67.6%
St. Ephrem Parish	6.8%	5.5%	2.5%	0.1%	1.1%	5.1%	81.3%
St. Isidore Parish	3.2%	4.3%	2.4%	0.1%	0.7%	3.7%	88.0%
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	7.9%	3.9%	1.3%	0.0%	1.4%	5.6%	81.2%
St. John Vianney Parish	3.5%	0.8%	2.4%	0.2%	0.2%	6.7%	88.6%
St. Kieran Parish	2.8%	1.8%	3.6%	0.3%	1.6%	2.2%	91.3%
St. Lawrence Parish	8.4%	5.3%	4.2%	0.4%	2.3%	5.2%	78.4%
St. Matthias Parish	3.9%	7.9%	2.5%	0.1%	0.7%	3.9%	83.6%
St. Michael Parish	1.9%	10.4%	1.8%	0.2%	0.1%	10.8%	76.7%
St. Rene Goupil Parish	15.7%	7.0%	2.3%	0.1%	1.1%	3.2%	72.9%
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	4.0%	3.9%	3.2%	0.1%	1.8%	3.6%	86.6%

Source: ACS 2023 (5 Year Average)

US Census Data

Parish Name	Under Age 5	Age 5-19	Age 20-24	Age 25-34	Age 35-54	Age 55-64	Age 65+
SS. John and Paul Parish	5.2%	18.3%	5.3%	10.1%	26.2%	15.9%	19.1%
St. Anastasia Parish	4.6%	18.6%	7.8%	9.9%	26.3%	14.7%	18.0%
St. Ephrem Parish	3.5%	18.9%	6.3%	15.0%	25.1%	13.8%	17.4%
St. Isidore Parish	5.0%	23.5%	7.2%	8.8%	29.2%	12.7%	13.7%
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	4.7%	18.1%	6.2%	15.3%	23.9%	15.0%	16.8%
St. John Vianney Parish	4.8%	19.6%	5.8%	7.7%	26.8%	14.0%	21.4%
St. Kieran Parish	4.0%	16.8%	5.1%	10.0%	24.6%	15.2%	24.4%
St. Lawrence Parish	4.8%	15.4%	7.4%	13.8%	24.9%	15.6%	18.2%
St. Matthias Parish	5.7%	14.1%	4.6%	14.4%	24.9%	14.1%	22.2%
St. Michael Parish	6.0%	14.9%	6.2%	16.4%	19.9%	13.4%	23.3%
St. Rene Goupil Parish	4.6%	20.6%	5.3%	16.4%	25.6%	11.0%	16.5%
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	3.1%	18.5%	4.7%	8.7%	22.7%	16.7%	25.7%

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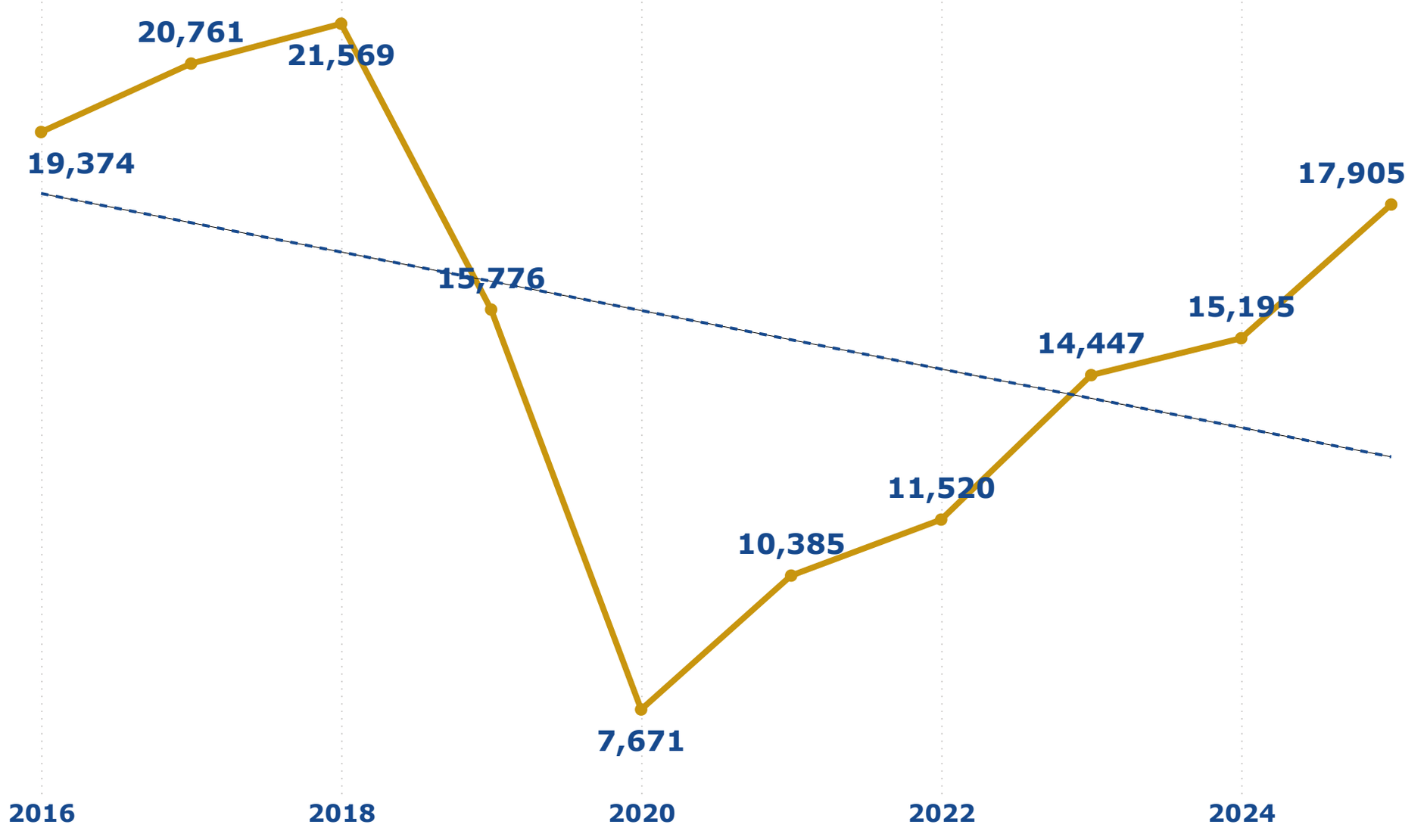
Planning Area Mass Count Trend



Mass Count and Capacity (2024)

Parish Name	Worship Sites	Mass Count	Weekend Masses	Seating Capacity	Seating Capacity per Mass*
St. Kieran Parish	1	2,012	4	800	63%
St. Isidore Parish	1	1,968	5	1,300	30%
St. Anastasia Parish	1	1,935	6	780	41%
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	1	1,530	4	975	39%
St. John Vianney Parish	1	1,408	4	1,200	29%
St. Lawrence Parish	1	1,280	4	1,200	27%
St. Michael Parish	1	1,054	4	800	33%
St. Rene Goupil Parish	1	985	4	1,100	22%
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	1	909	3	800	38%
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish	1	842	5	809	21%
SS. John and Paul Parish	1	521	4	450	29%
St. Ephrem Parish	1	484	3	350	46%
St. Matthias Parish	1	267	4	650	10%
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish	1		6	500	

*(Seating Capacity × Weekend Masses) ÷ Total Mass Count

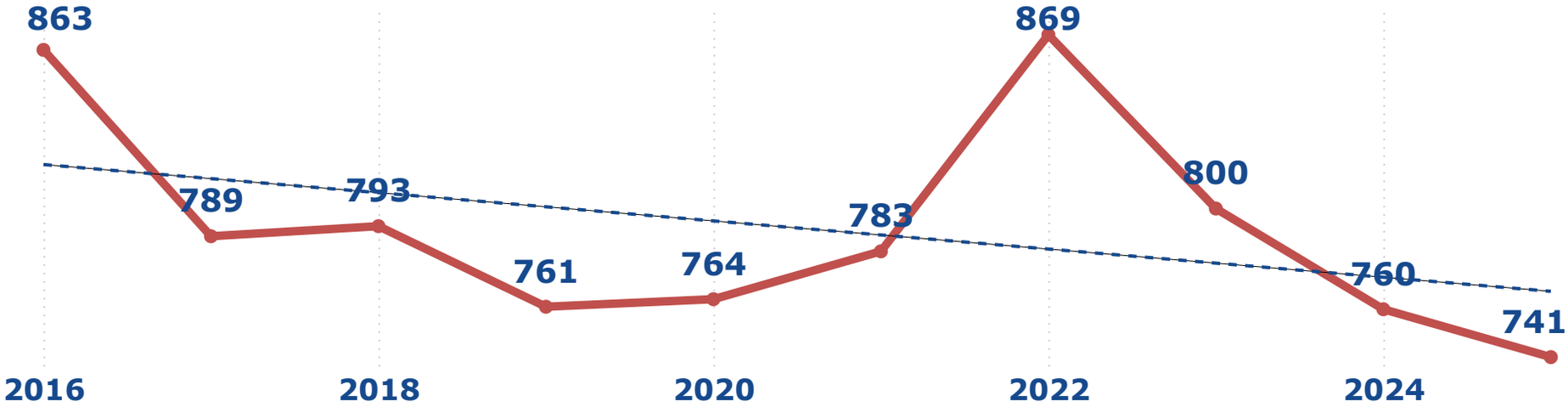
Where Parishioners Live

Parish Name	Within Parish Boundary	Within Parish (%)	Within Region Boundary	Within Region (%)	Outside Region Boundary	Outside Region (%)
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish			1,034	74%	361	26%
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish			581	69%	267	31%
SS. John and Paul Parish	805	59%	407	30%	157	11%
St. Anastasia Parish	1,586	56%	771	27%	487	17%
St. Ephrem Parish	326	54%	263	44%	14	2%
St. Isidore Parish	1,929	64%	1,073	35%	35	1%
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	501	41%	616	50%	115	9%
St. John Vianney Parish	606	23%	1,896	73%	85	3%
St. Kieran Parish	1,663	48%	1,450	42%	376	11%
St. Lawrence Parish	701	29%	1,566	64%	187	8%
St. Matthias Parish	424	55%	311	41%	30	4%
St. Michael Parish	1,022	39%	1,506	58%	84	3%
St. Rene Goupil Parish	315	30%	592	56%	156	15%
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	996	37%	1,506	56%	182	7%

Region references the four administrative areas of the AOD-Central, South, Northwest, Northeast

Planning Area Baptisms and Funerals

Funerals



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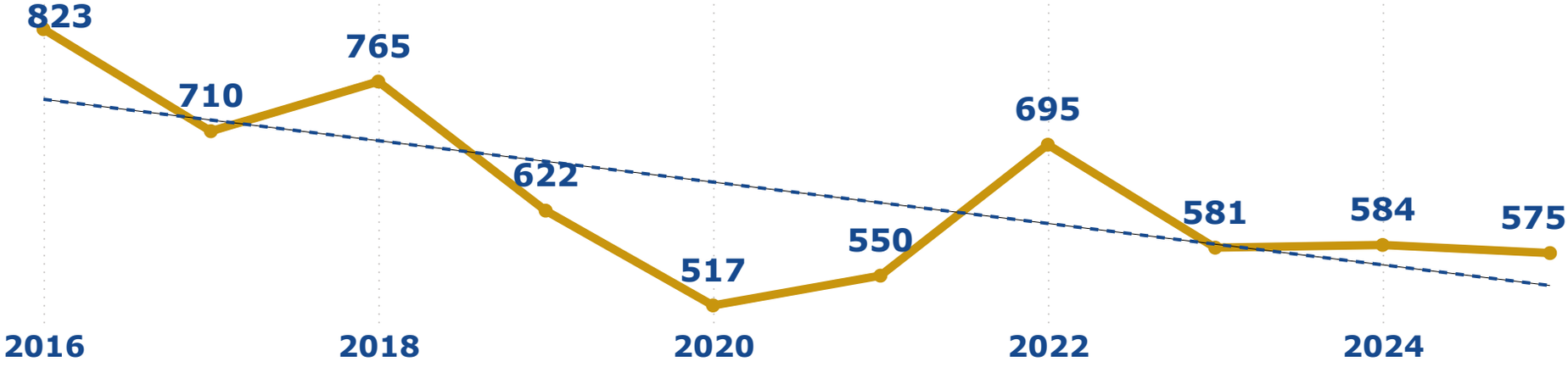


Sacramental Activity (2024)

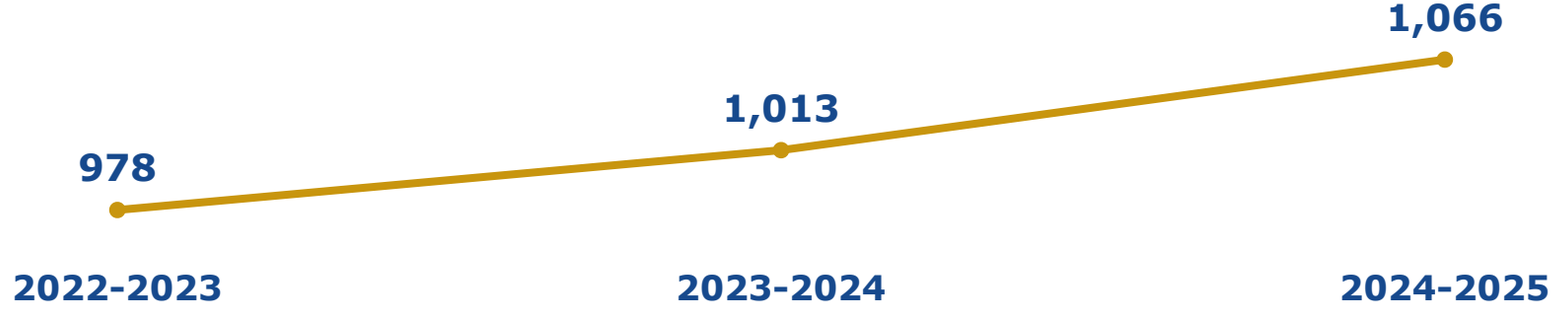
Parish Name	Funerals	Baptisms	Marriages	Confirmations	First Communions	OCIA*
St. John Vianney Parish	65	123	15	97	92	16
St. Kieran Parish	78	82	12	40	48	12
St. Lawrence Parish	96	82	12	93	132	8
St. Isidore Parish	68	69	7	69	112	5
St. Michael Parish	150	62	3	34	24	3
St. Matthias Parish	20	35	0	3	0	0
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	78	31	6	43	63	21
St. Anastasia Parish	52	27	1	52	56	6
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	34	23	2	0	8	1
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish	16	12	6	23	31	0
SS. John and Paul Parish	26	12	2	13	18	5
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish	22	11	0	25	27	0
St. Ephrem Parish	26	8	0	8	9	1
St. Rene Goupil Parish	29	7	1	6	17	6

*OCIA includes adult baptisms, communions, and confirmations.

Planning Area School Enrollment

Parish and School	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
St. Lawrence Parish			
St. Lawrence School	978	1,013	1,066

School Enrollment Trend



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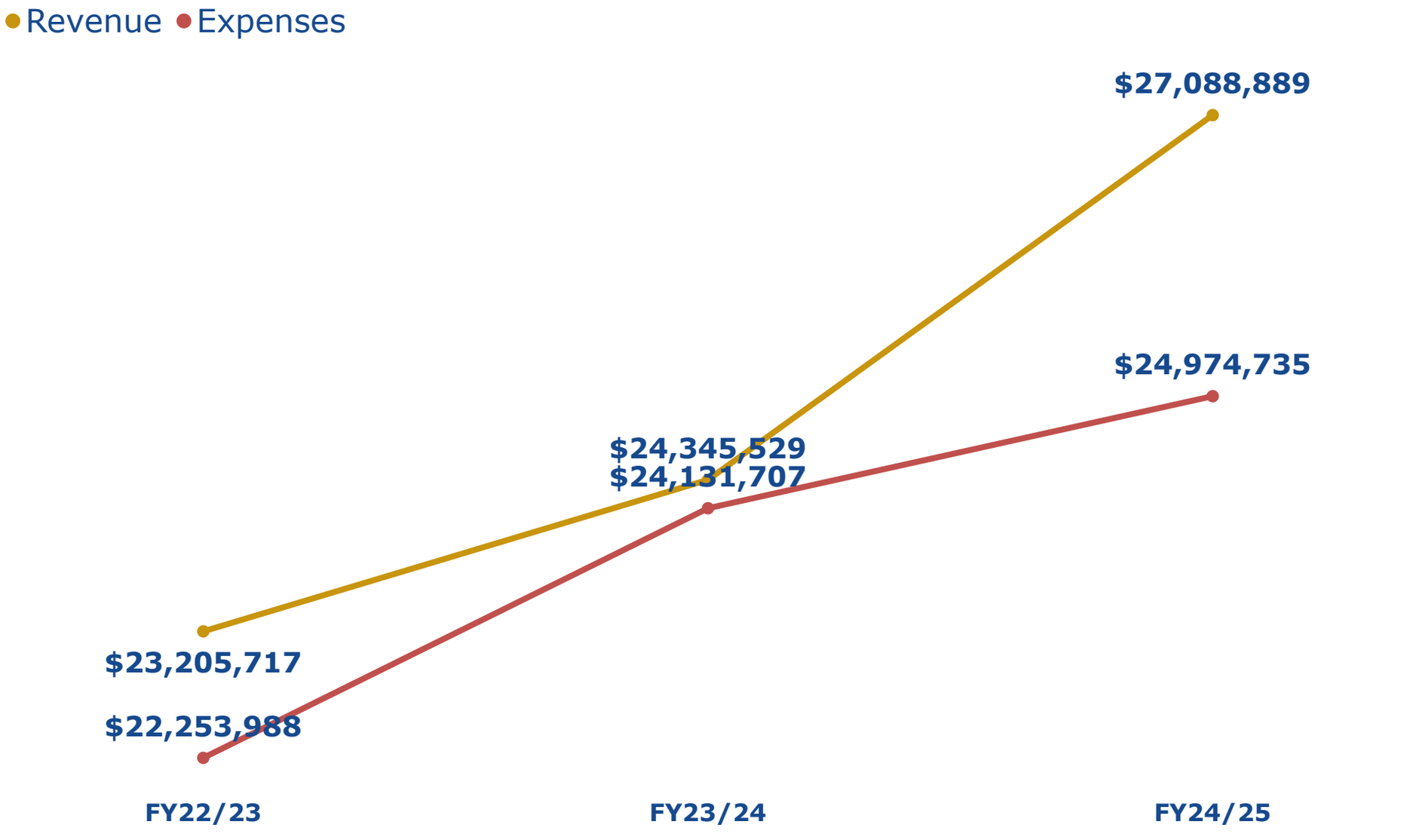
Financial information as reported by Intacct on June 30th of the last three fiscal years (2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25). If a data point is zero (0), then the parish experiences zero or did not submit information.

Collections: Funds received as weekly offerings (envelopes, online, loose), Christmas, Holy Days and other marked offerings given.
Other Revenue: All other Operating and Non-Operating funds received, such as donations, event fees, and interest.
Salary & Benefits Expense: Costs related to employee compensation, including wages, payroll taxes, pension, health insurance, and other benefits.
Contractor Expense: Costs related to contractors providing a service to the parish/school, such as Administrative Services and Janitorial.
Facilities Expense: Costs related to building expenses, utilities, and telecommunications.
Other Expense: All other operating expenses not included in the previous categories.
Capital Expense: Costs related to major repairs, renovations and other major building related purchases.
Net Income: Total Revenue minus Total Expenses (includes both Operating and Non-Operating).
Parish Subsidy: Calculated based on the net loss for the school operating unit (Elementary and/or High School).
Parish Tuition Scholarships: Funds donated to an external Catholic school for the purpose of student scholarships.
Cash: The reconciled checking account balance.
Unrestricted Savings: The sum of the unrestricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Endowments: Long-Term investments for the purpose of generating interest income to support operations over time. The endowments are limited to a 5.25% annual distribution.
Donor Restricted Trust: The sum of the restricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Bills Due: Amounts owed to vendors for goods and services received/ordered by not yet paid for.
Payable Loans: Amounts owed to lenders or financial institutions (Archdiocese of Detroit) that must be repaid over time, often with interest.
Other Liabilities: Other amounts owed by the parish/school, including any tuition collected prior to the start of the school year.

Planning Area Financial Trend



Revenue Summary (FY 24/25)

Parish Name	Collections	Rental Income	Fundraising	Tuition & Fees	Other	Total Revenue
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish	$382,662	$10,950	$4,239	$166,360	$69,732	$633,944
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish	$793,124	$3,800	$19,221	$14,582	$130,446	$961,173
SS. John and Paul Parish	$738,637	$0	$154,821	$11,797	$59,342	$964,597
St. Anastasia Parish	$1,648,439	$3,000	$1,262	$56,522	$260,500	$1,969,722
St. Ephrem Parish	$497,636	$0	$40,245	$3,770	$44,888	$586,538
St. Isidore Parish	$1,523,397	$100	$353,643	$57,334	$399,520	$2,333,995
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	$810,939	$0	$57,100	$4,635	$77,632	$950,307
St. John Vianney Parish	$1,335,968	$0	$754,427	$67,728	$181,547	$2,339,670
St. Kieran Parish	$1,921,083	$0	$122,705	$100,380	$509,201	$2,653,368
St. Lawrence Parish	$1,321,822	$0	$293,375	$6,264,511	$1,535,441	$9,415,149
St. Matthias Parish	$366,921	$12	$4,575	$5,410	$16,398	$393,316
St. Michael Parish	$978,361	$3,155	$170,185	$12,989	$103,890	$1,268,579
St. Rene Goupil Parish	$702,934	$7,203	$19	$6,665	$98,325	$815,147
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	$1,240,067	$15,250	$194,645	$21,415	$332,007	$1,803,384

Expense Summary (FY 24/25)

Parish Name	Salary & Benefits	Contractors	Facilities	Other	Capital Expenditures	Total Expenses
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish	$392,668	$34,394	$123,877	$204,151	$1,480	$756,569
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish	$637,241	$30,422	$170,496	$210,468	$89,821	$1,138,447
SS. John and Paul Parish	$448,257	$48,757	$121,864	$166,146	$55,411	$840,435
St. Anastasia Parish	$894,178	$34,092	$373,530	$254,341	$34,450	$1,590,590
St. Ephrem Parish	$285,987	$37,369	$134,792	$96,978	$32,488	$587,615
St. Isidore Parish	$1,009,338	$96,714	$284,613	$553,815	$120,208	$2,064,688
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	$485,633	$11,321	$121,662	$158,938	$40,367	$817,920
St. John Vianney Parish	$728,538	$55,223	$167,188	$466,617	$964,096	$2,381,663
St. Kieran Parish	$934,566	$65,600	$282,866	$929,754	$79,161	$2,291,946
St. Lawrence Parish	$5,699,124	$335,899	$1,102,069	$983,387	$472,298	$8,592,778
St. Matthias Parish	$218,390	$12,860	$139,353	$63,125	$13,439	$447,167
St. Michael Parish	$538,174	$21,481	$176,982	$213,731	$119,373	$1,069,743
St. Rene Goupil Parish	$422,228	$38,489	$155,447	$139,583	$5,572	$761,319
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	$823,072	$105,522	$218,106	$394,589	$92,567	$1,633,856

Revenue and Expenses Trend

Fiscal Year	FY22/23			FY23/24			FY24/25		
Parish Name	Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus (Deficit)	Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus (Deficit)	Revenue	Expenses	Net Surplus (Deficit)
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish	$769,491	$782,325	($12,834)	$778,454	$743,785	$34,669	$633,944	$756,569	($122,625)
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish	$1,027,489	$1,242,292	($214,803)	$1,006,824	$1,134,459	($127,634)	$961,173	$1,138,447	($177,274)
SS. John and Paul Parish	$942,861	$754,007	$188,854	$972,013	$795,724	$176,289	$964,597	$840,435	$124,162
St. Anastasia Parish	$1,570,443	$1,755,934	($185,491)	$1,599,244	$1,741,998	($142,754)	$1,969,722	$1,590,590	$379,132
St. Ephrem Parish	$714,237	$597,039	$117,198	$596,349	$579,883	$16,465	$586,538	$587,615	($1,077)
St. Isidore Parish	$1,932,139	$1,628,458	$303,682	$2,076,147	$1,842,759	$233,388	$2,333,995	$2,064,688	$269,307
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	$865,404	$780,413	$84,991	$907,664	$788,644	$119,021	$950,307	$817,920	$132,387
St. John Vianney Parish	$1,583,156	$1,729,046	($145,890)	$1,676,527	$2,244,324	($567,797)	$2,339,670	$2,381,663	($41,992)
St. Kieran Parish	$2,019,810	$1,924,468	$95,342	$2,232,950	$2,040,317	$192,633	$2,653,368	$2,291,946	$361,422
St. Lawrence Parish	$7,741,386	$7,330,712	$410,674	$8,182,700	$8,229,590	($46,890)	$9,415,149	$8,592,778	$822,371
St. Matthias Parish	$415,954	$386,973	$28,982	$479,851	$453,606	$26,245	$393,316	$447,167	($53,851)
St. Michael Parish	$1,128,814	$1,039,381	$89,433	$1,164,587	$1,160,141	$4,446	$1,268,579	$1,069,743	$198,837
St. Rene Goupil Parish	$907,254	$817,382	$89,872	$867,621	$901,463	($33,841)	$815,147	$761,319	$53,828
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	$1,587,279	$1,485,558	$101,720	$1,804,597	$1,475,014	$329,583	$1,803,384	$1,633,856	$169,528

Asset & Liability Summary (FY 24/25)

Parish Name	Unrestricted Cash/Savings	Restricted Savings	Bills Due	Payable Loans	Net Equity
Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish	$147,680	$0	$0	$0	$116,472
SS. Cyril and Methodius (Slovak) Parish	$2,232,451	$167,734	$42,869	$0	$2,319,153
SS. John and Paul Parish	$844,558	($24,365)	$7,131	$65,864	$733,554
St. Anastasia Parish	$933,355	$0	$35,145	$0	$861,923
St. Ephrem Parish	$261,319	$0	$0	$0	$296,433
St. Isidore Parish	$2,332,752	$0	$951	$0	$2,320,194
St. Jane Frances de Chantal Parish	$1,223,652	$207,595	$0	$0	$1,431,248
St. John Vianney Parish	$1,387,551	$399,596	$3,820	$0	$1,605,749
St. Kieran Parish	$4,135,391	$1,882,436	$19,490	$0	$6,210,309
St. Lawrence Parish	$2,789,283	$179,888	$234,207	$0	$2,743,268
St. Matthias Parish	$261,205	$0	$0	$0	$261,155
St. Michael Parish	$718,323	$0	$7,976	$3,701	$809,305
St. Rene Goupil Parish	$1,524,356	$0	($1,229)	$0	$1,824,150
St. Therese of Lisieux Parish	$1,867,597	$224,041	$485	$0	$3,295,958

Section Three

Our Lady of Czestochowa (Polish) Parish

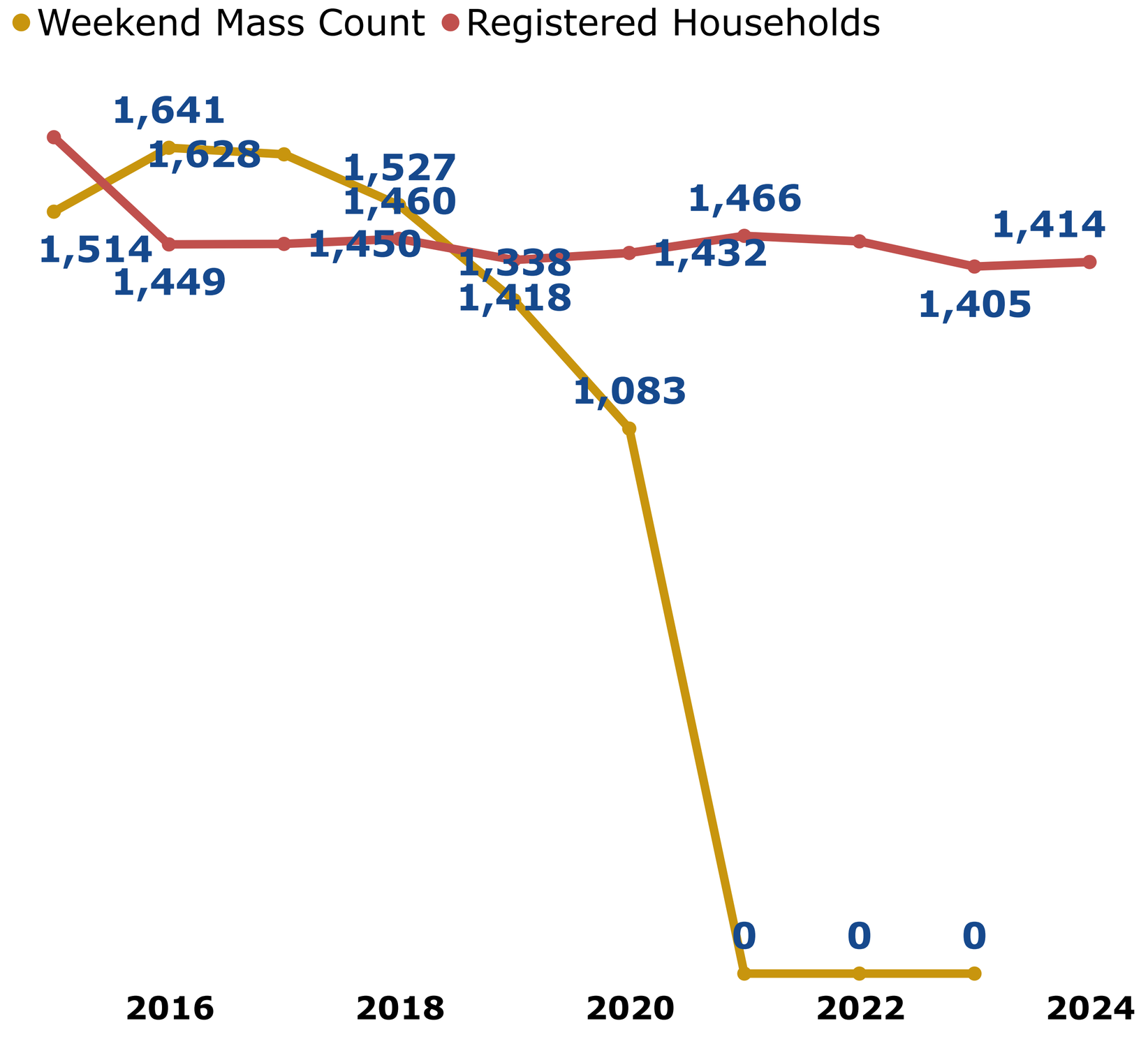
Sterling Heights

Parish History

Founded in 1979 by the Society of Christ Fathers, Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish began with a small group of Polish emigrants gathering for Mass in a home. Their vision led to the construction of the parish church in 1982, and the community flourished throughout the 1980s and 1990s. Today, the parish remains a vibrant and stable faith community serving multiple generations of Polish families. It continues to be led by the Society of Christ Fathers and the Missionary Sisters of Christ the King, preserving its deep cultural and spiritual roots.

The mission of Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish is to help Polish people remain faithful to God while maintaining their traditions for future generations. Parishioners encounter Christ through daily sacraments, prayer groups, Bible studies, retreats, and devotions such as the Holy Hour and Rosary Society. Faith formation spans all ages, with programs like youth choir, folk dance ensemble, Polish scouting, and adult ministries including the Knights of Columbus and Golden Rose Group. The parish expresses love and mercy through outreach to seniors, mission collections, Mercy in Action Day, and community events like Christmas dinners and fundraisers for families in need. It remains a cornerstone of Polish Catholic life in Sterling Heights.

Worshipping Households



Number of worship sites

1

Number of weekend masses

6

Seating capacity

500

Mass attendance as a percent of capacity

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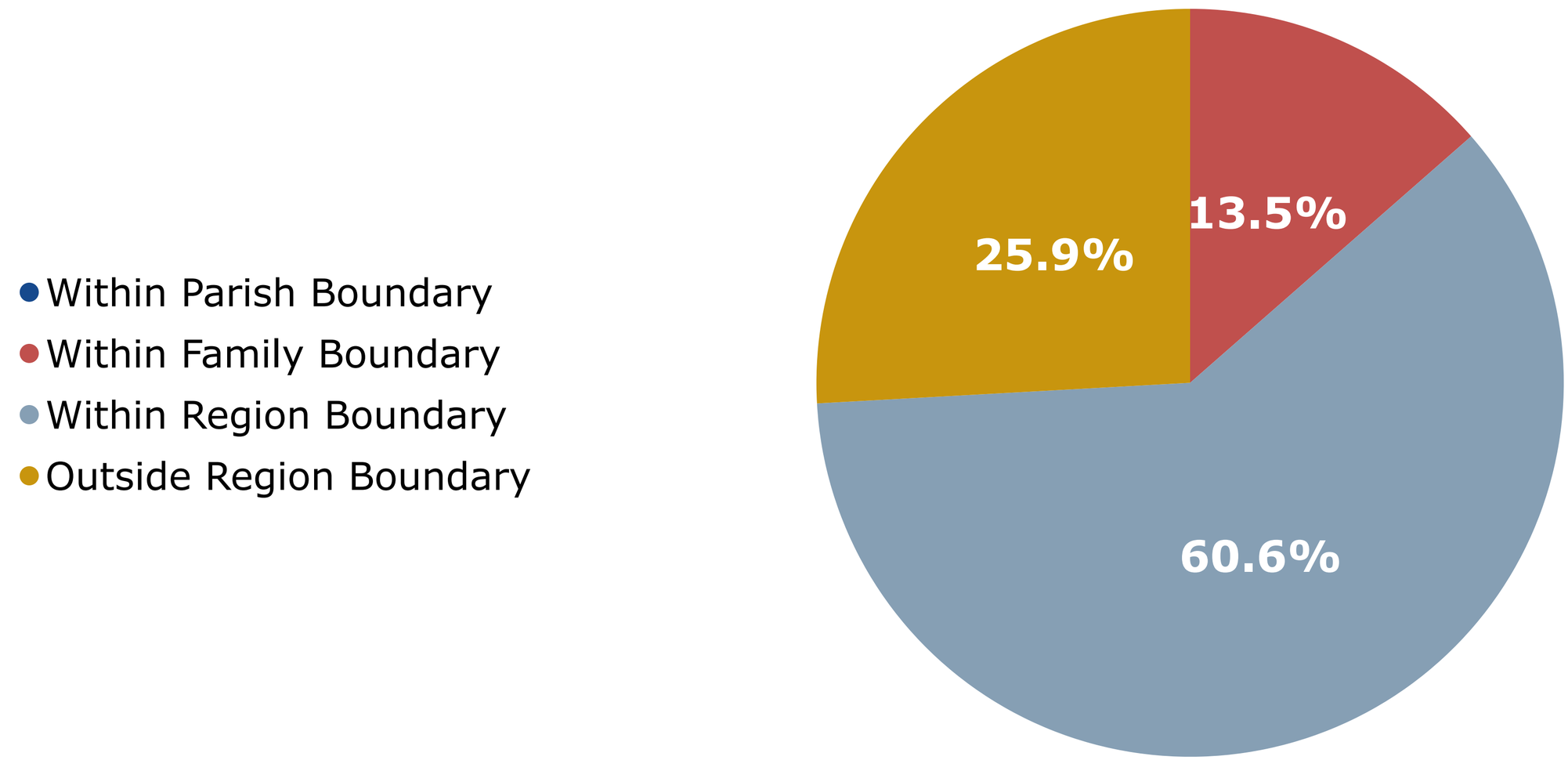
Source: ParishSoft and Parish Reported to AOD

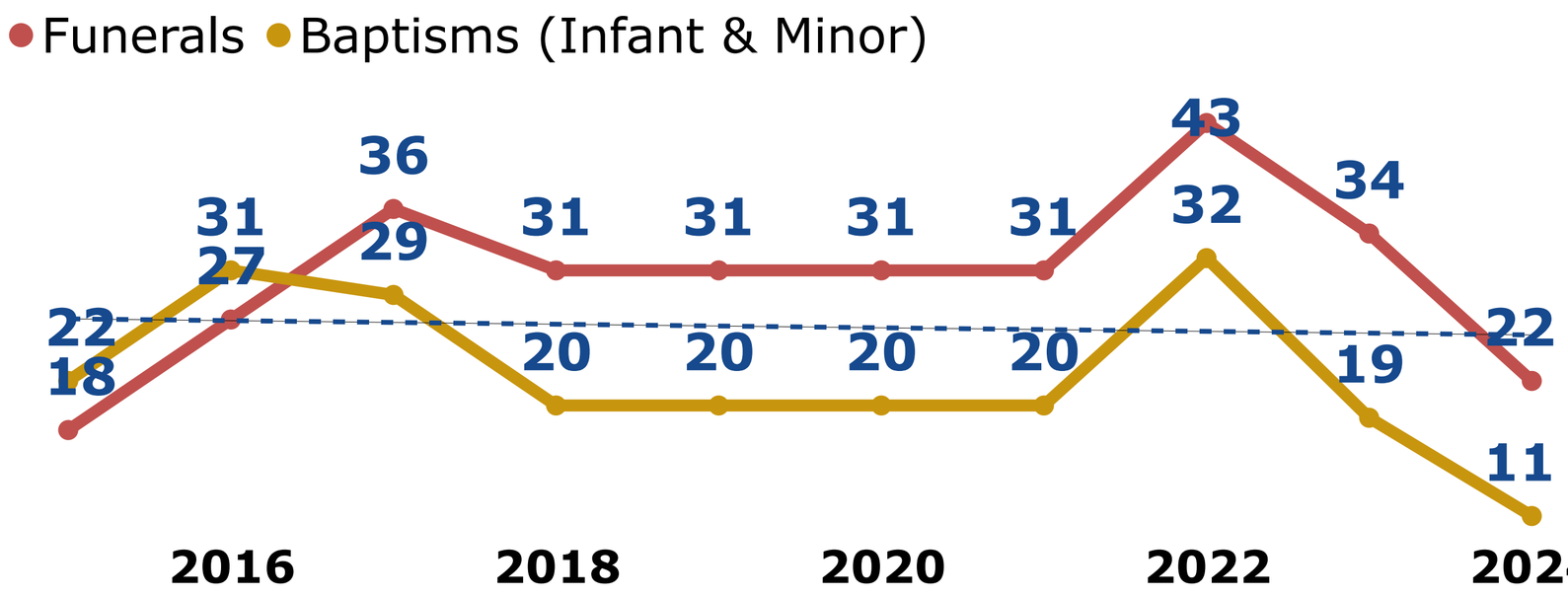
Where Parishioners Live



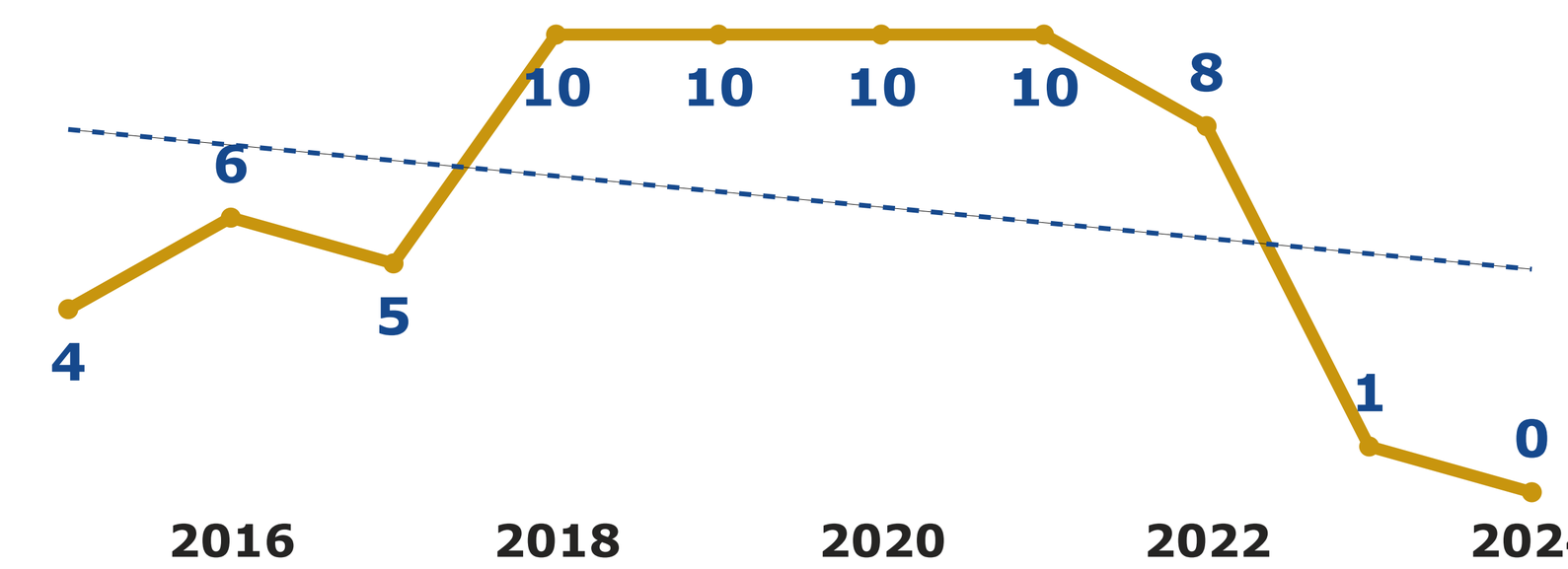
Source: ParishSoft

Sacraments of Life Trend

Funerals and Baptisms



Marriage Trend



Percent Change 2015-2024

Funerals
22.2%

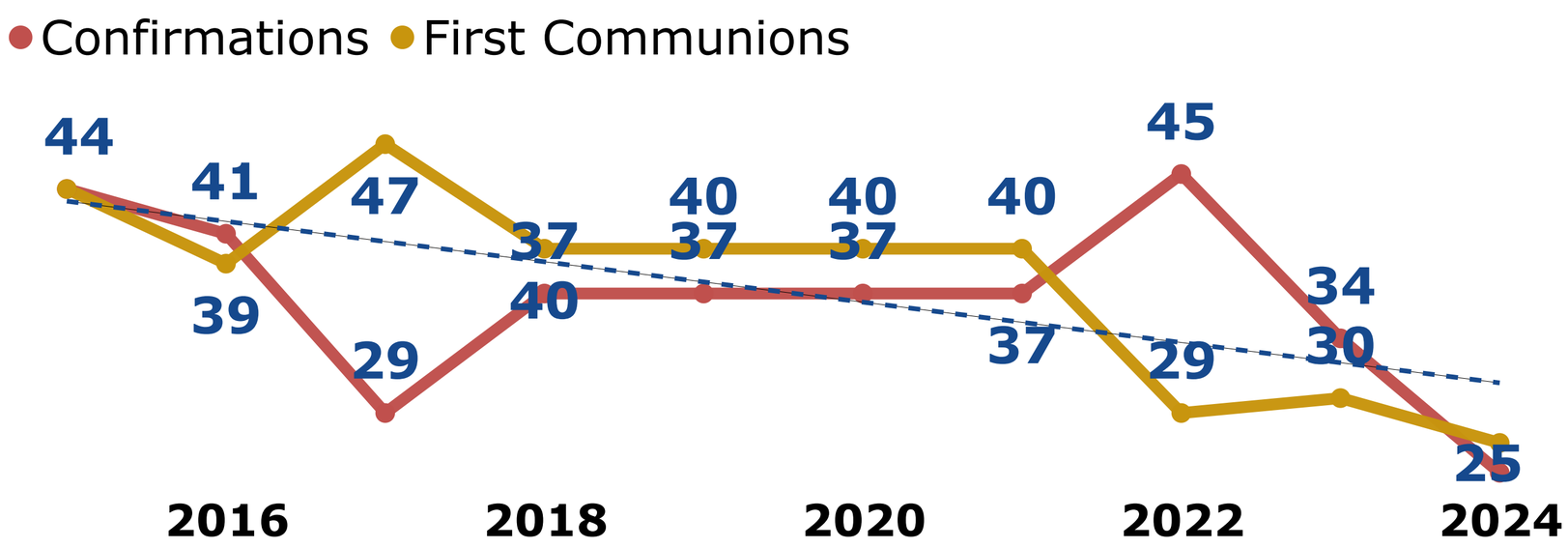
Infant & Minor Baptisms
-50.0%

Marriages
-100.0%

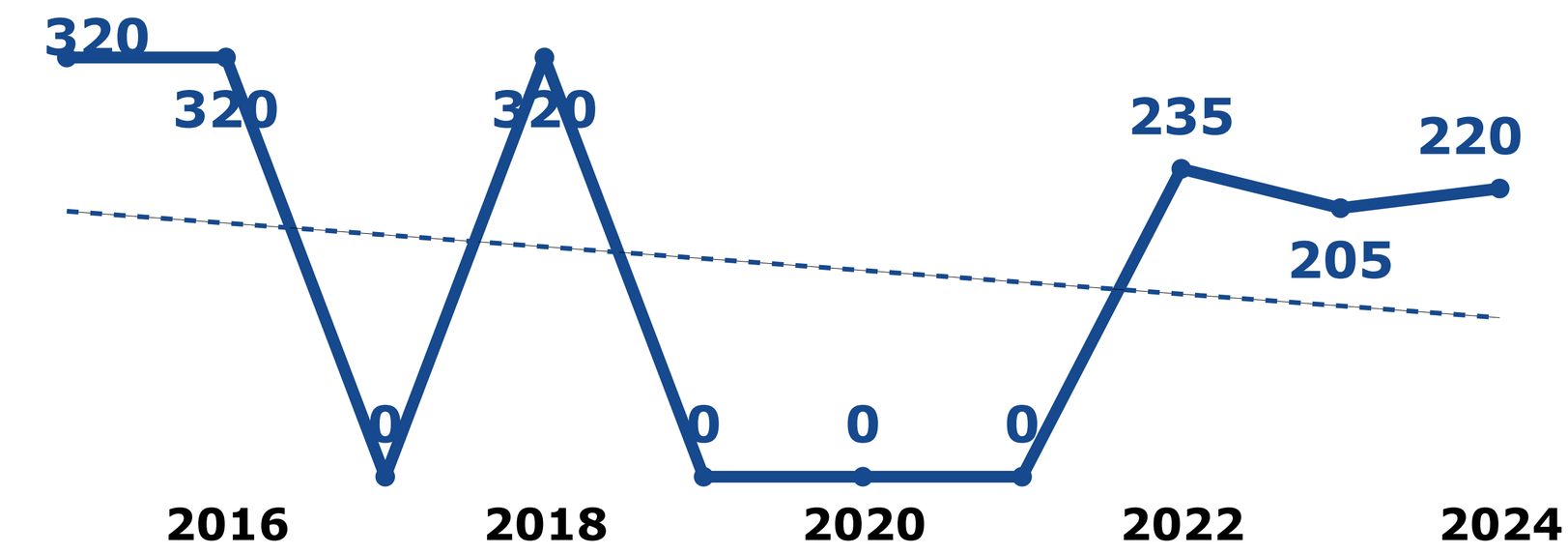
Source: Parish Reported to Official Catholic Directory

Youth Evangelization

Sacramental Trend



Religious Education Enrollment



*Parishes with a school may have included school religious education in the total enrollment number

Percent Change 2015-2024

Confirmations
-43.2%

First Communions
-38.6%

Religious Education
-31.3%

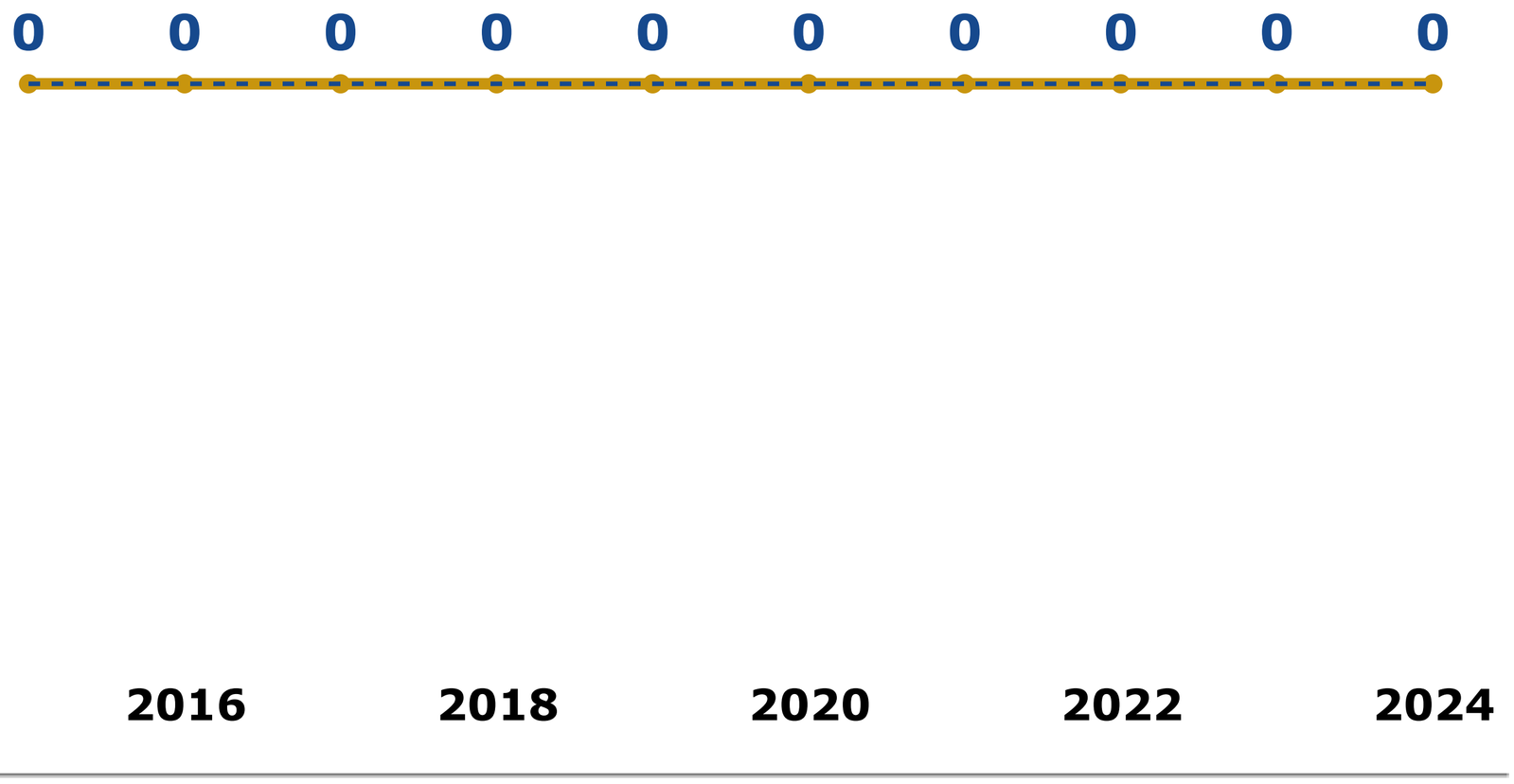
Note: Sacraments may have been registered in another parish hosting a FOP combined event

Source: Parish Reported to Official Catholic Directory

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sacramental Trend

Total Full Communions, Catechumens, Adult Baptisms



Percent Change 2015-2024

Adult Sacraments

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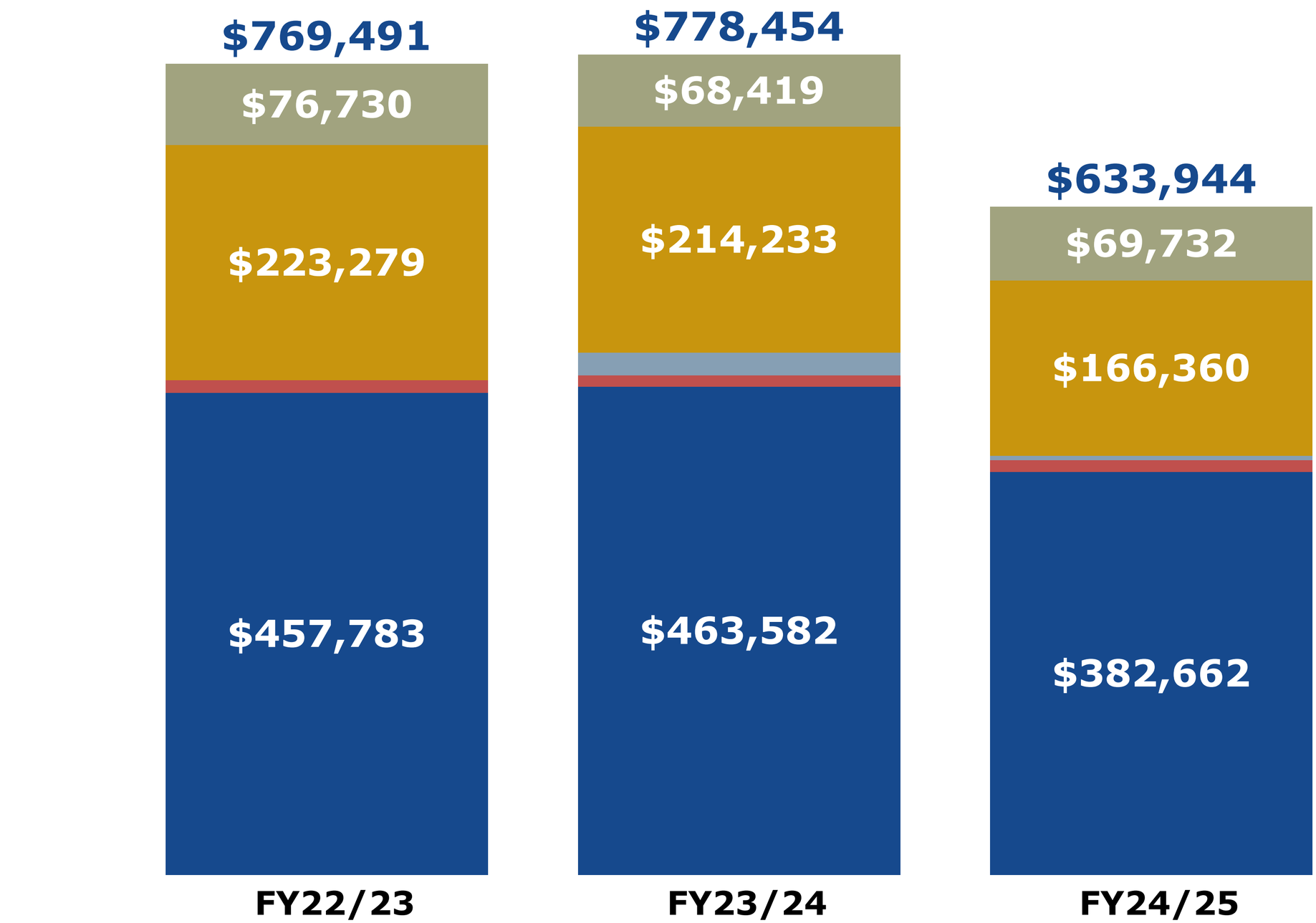
Note: Sacraments may have been registered in another parish hosting a FOP combined event

Source: Parish Reported to Official Catholic Directory

Definitions of data fields appearing on the following pages are provided below.
Financial information as reported by Intacct on June 30th of the last three fiscal years (2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25). If a data point is zero (0), then the parish experiences zero or did not submit information.

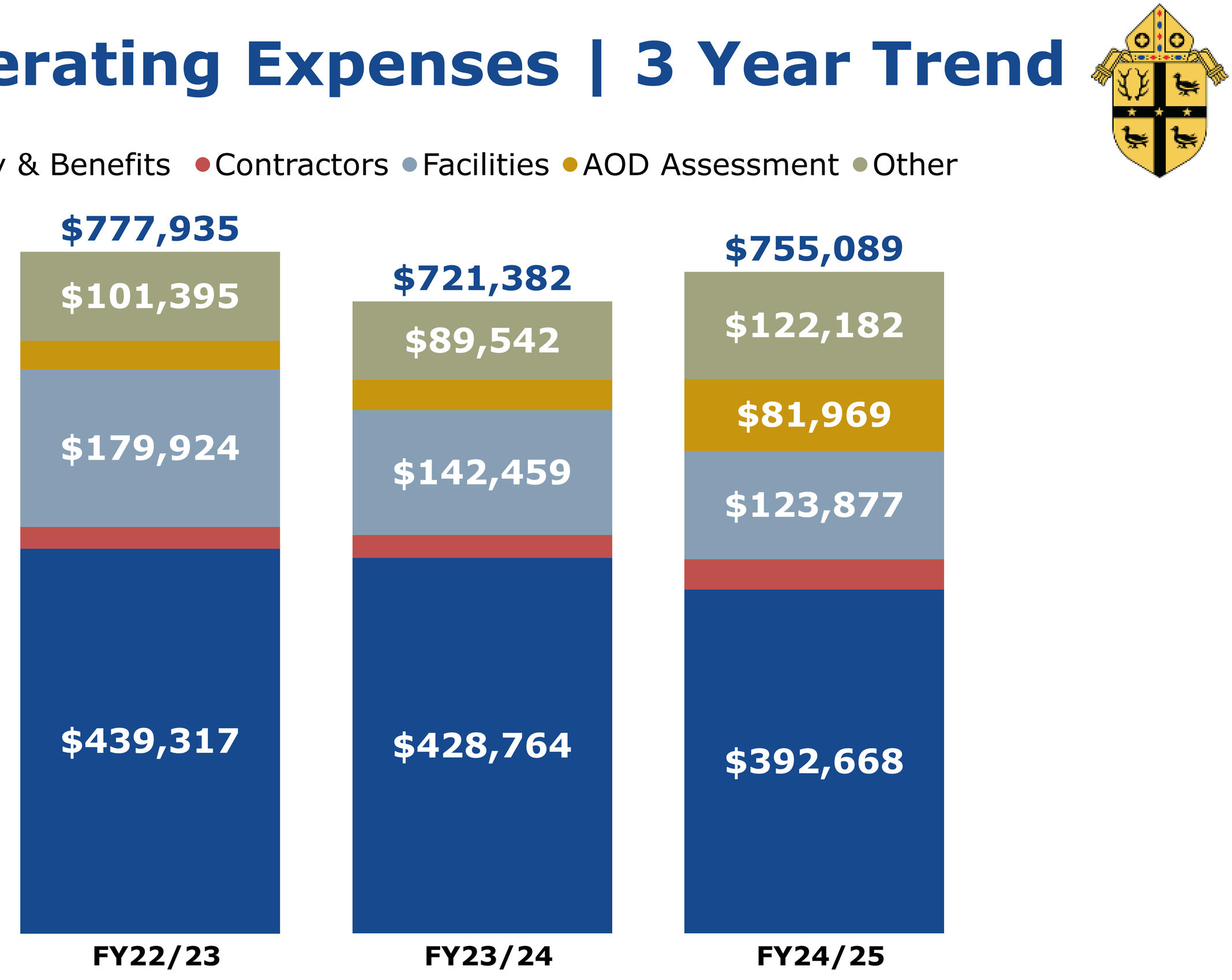
Collections: Funds received as weekly offerings (envelopes, online, loose), Christmas, Holy Days and other marked offerings given.
Other Revenue: All other Operating and Non-Operating funds received, such as donations, event fees, and interest.
Salary & Benefits Expense: Costs related to employee compensation, including wages, payroll taxes, pension, health insurance, and other benefits.
Contractor Expense: Costs related to contractors providing a service to the parish/school, such as Administrative Services and Janitorial.
Facilities Expense: Costs related to building expenses, utilities, and telecommunications.
Other Expense: All other operating expenses not included in the previous categories.
Capital Expense: Costs related to major repairs, renovations and other major building related purchases.
Net Income: Total Revenue minus Total Expenses (includes both Operating and Non-Operating).
Parish Subsidy: Calculated based on the net loss for the school operating unit (Elementary and/or High School).
Parish Tuition Scholarships: Funds donated to an external Catholic school for the purpose of student scholarships.
Cash: The reconciled checking account balance.
Unrestricted Savings: The sum of the unrestricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Endowments: Long-Term investments for the purpose of generating interest income to support operations over time. The endowments are limited to a 5.25% annual distribution.
Donor Restricted Trust: The sum of the restricted Detroit Catholic Parishes & Schools Trust account balances.
Bills Due: Amounts owed to vendors for goods and services received/ordered by not yet paid for.
Payable Loans: Amounts owed to lenders or financial institutions (Archdiocese of Detroit) that must be repaid over time, often with interest.
Other Liabilities: Other amounts owed by the parish/school, including any tuition collected prior to the start of the school year.

Revenue | 3 Year Trend



Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Operating Expenses | 3 Year Trend



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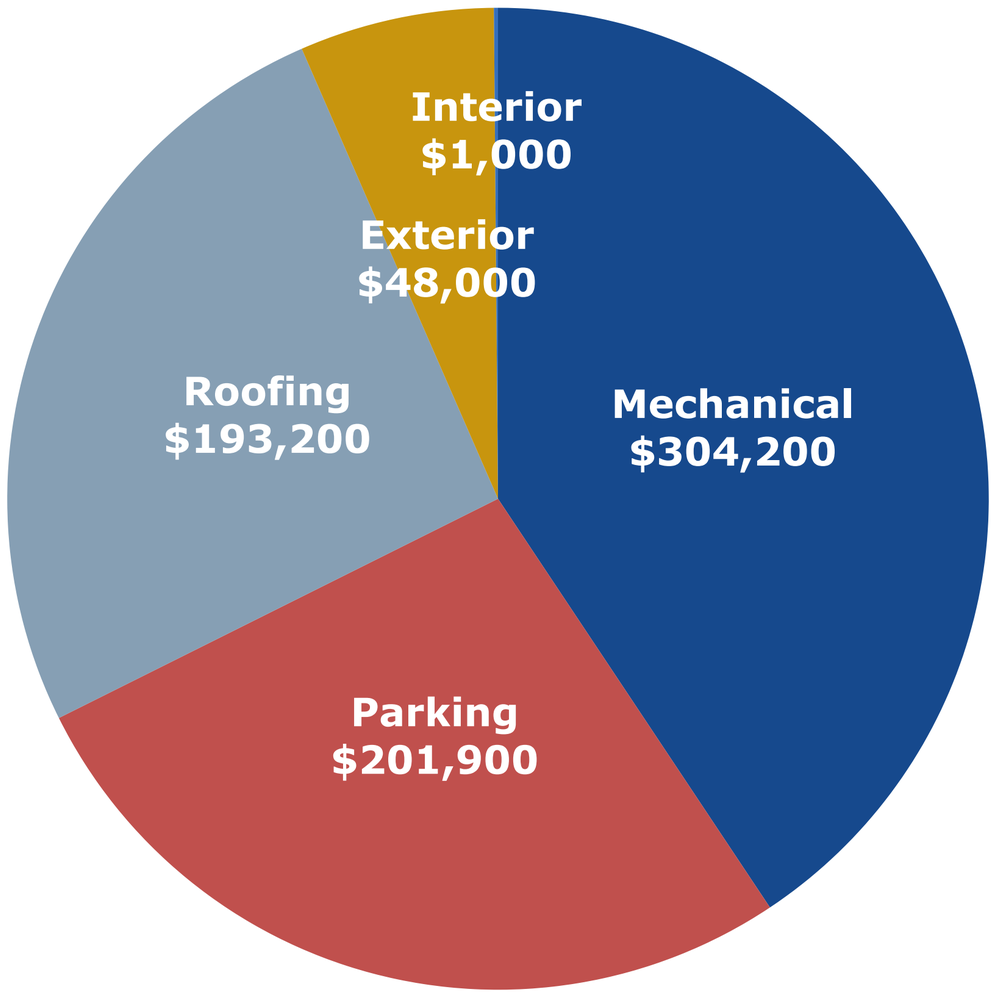
Parish Deferred Maintenance

Maintenance Required

$748,300

Total Estimated Cost



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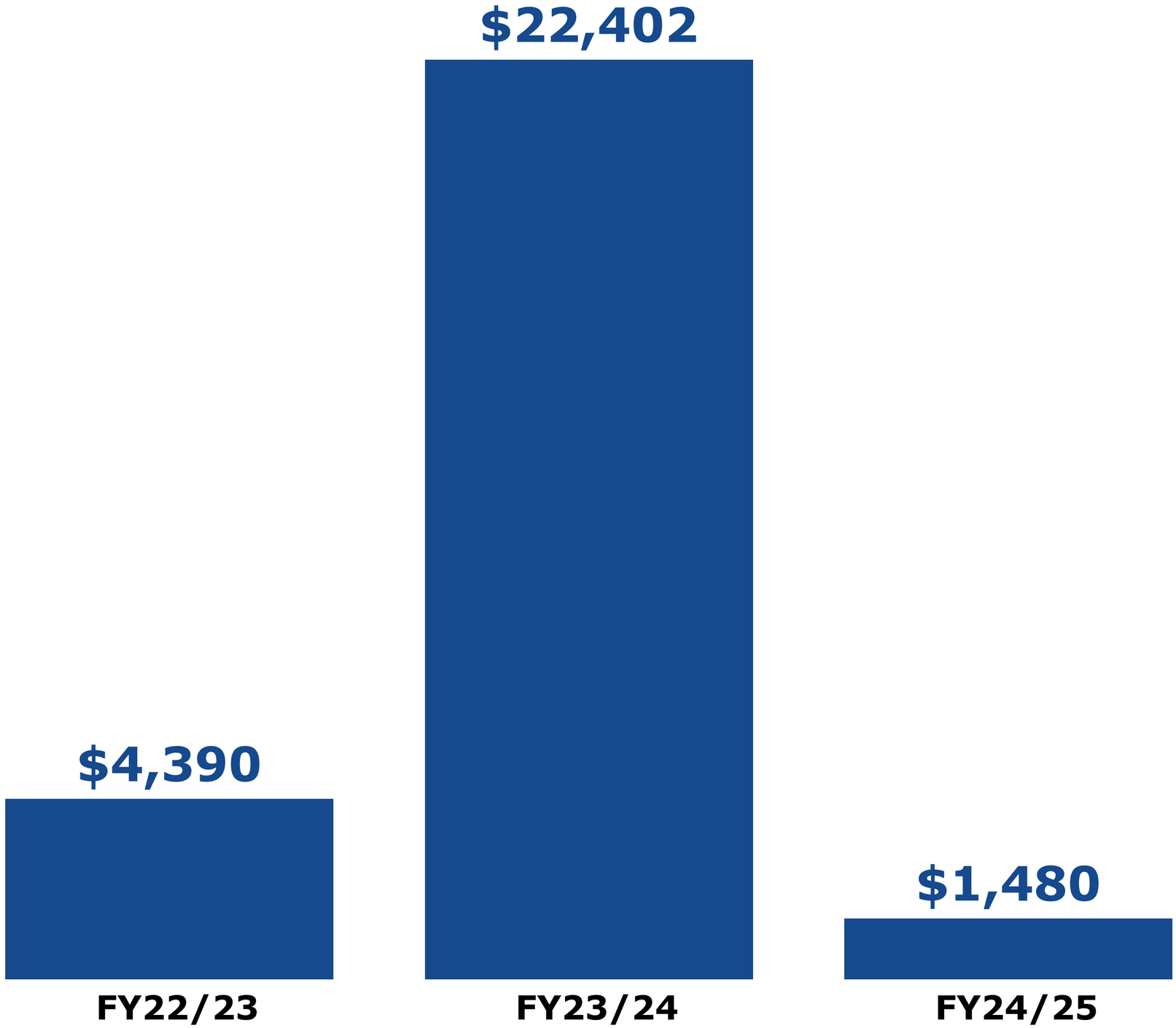
Evaluation Report Date

Source: Property Condition Evaluation

Capital Expenses | 3 Year Trend



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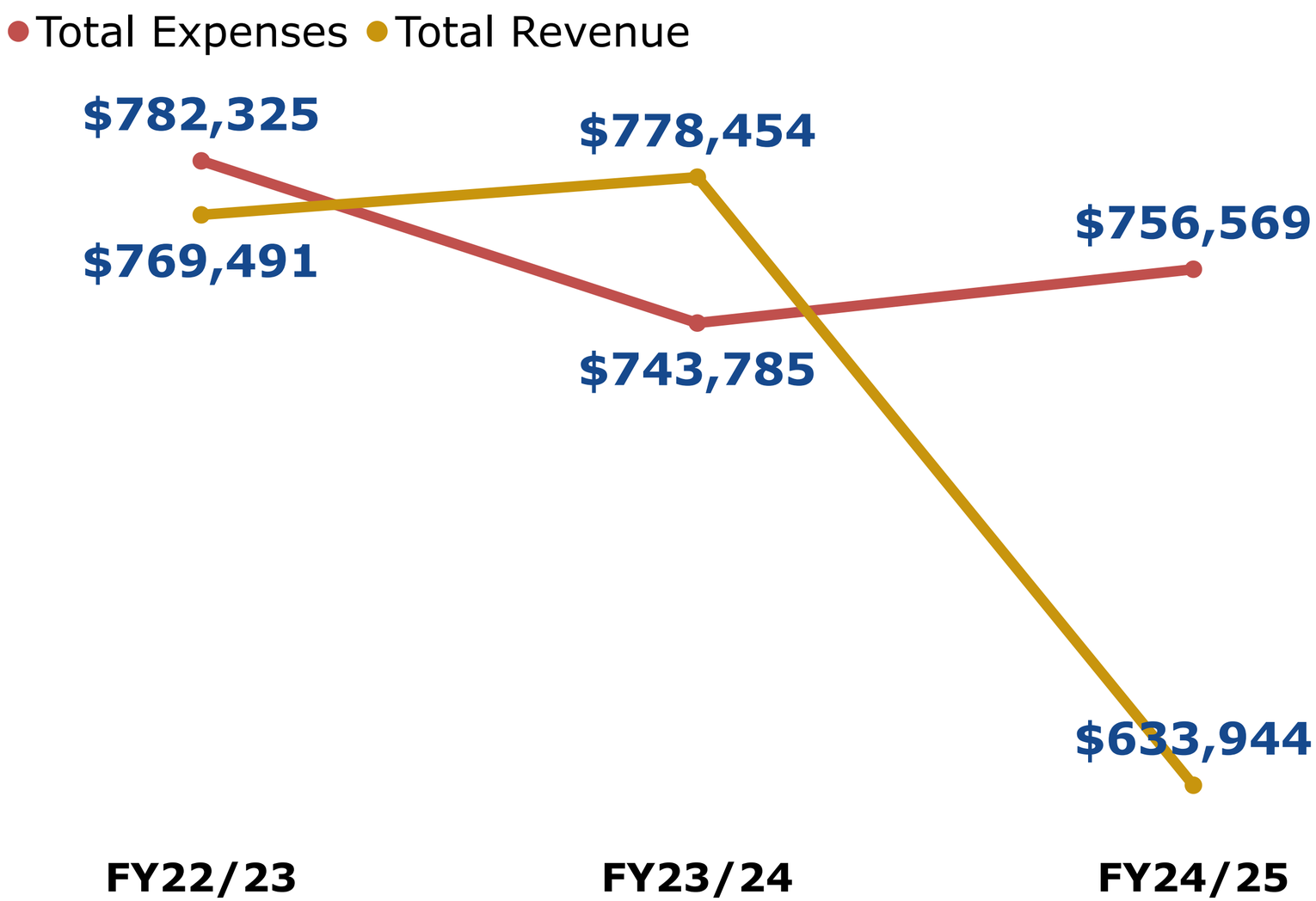
Revenue and Expenses



Net Income/(Deficit)

FY22/23	FY23/24	FY24/25
($12,834)	$34,669	($122,625)

The relationship between revenue and expense shows net surplus/(deficit).

A higher yellow line (revenue) shows a positive net income in a given year.

A higher red line (expense) shows a negative net income in a given year.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Catholic Education Investment

Parish Subsidy for Catholic School

Parish Tuition Scholarships

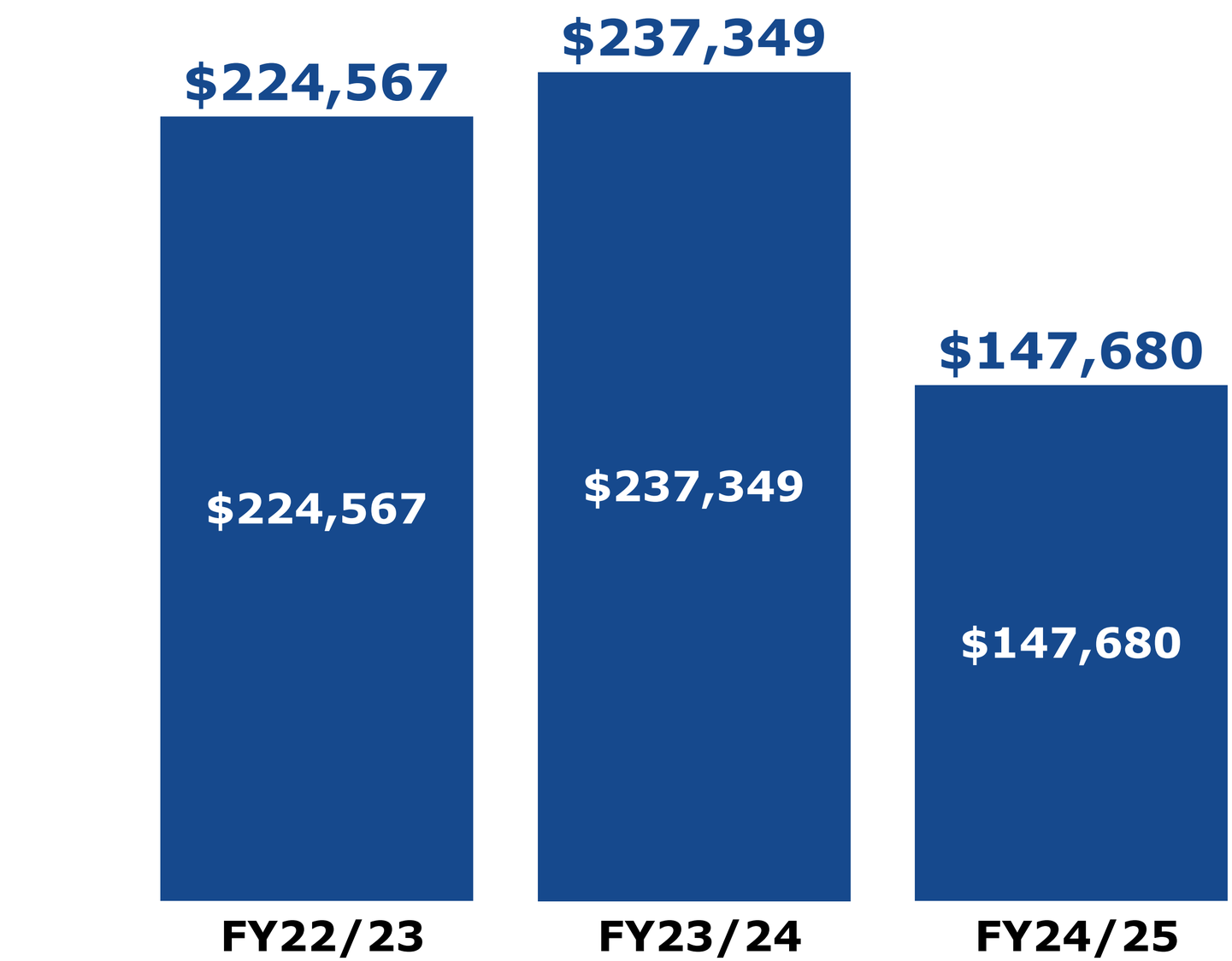
Parish subsidies fill the gap between tuition and school operating expenses for parishes with a school.

Parish Tuition Scholarships are parish funds used to help cover tuition costs for students attending Catholic Schools outside of the parish.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Savings & Investments Keys for Sustainability

Cash and Savings (Unrestricted)



An increase of cash and savings usually means the parish is doing well financially. It also means they are better prepared to handle surprise costs or tough times.

If cash and savings goes down, it may mean a parish is spending more, or collecting less. Having less cash can make it harder to deal with unexpected expenses. Sometimes, this drop is planned—like using savings for big projects or repairs.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Savings & Investments
Keys for Sustainability

Savings & Endowments (Restricted)

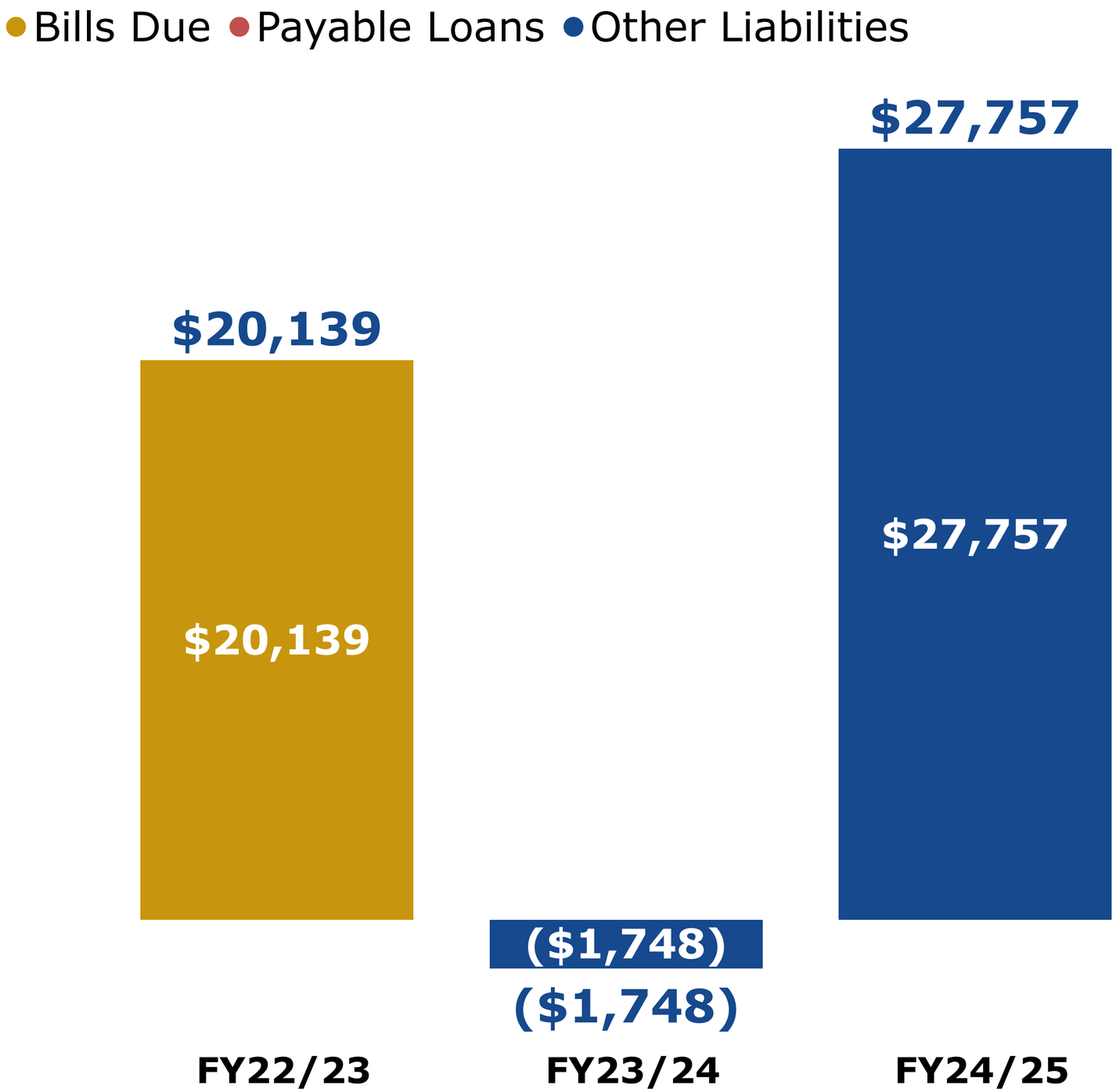
- Endowments
- Donor Restricted Trust

$0	$0	$0
FY22/23	**FY23/24**	**FY24/25**

Note: AOD Endowments are limited to a 5.25% annual distribution

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Debts and Liabilities



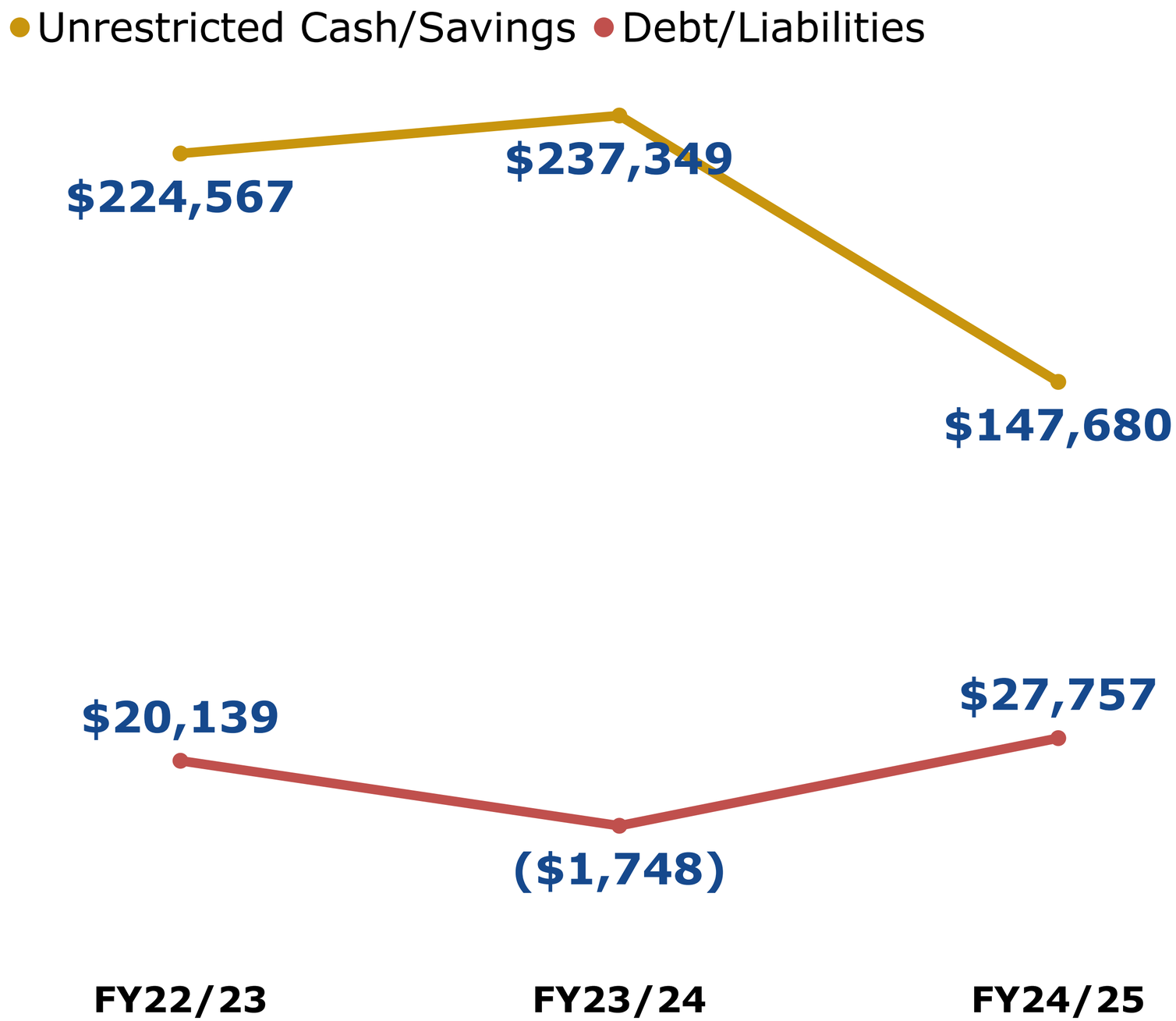
Debt going up, may mean a parish is having trouble with money or not bringing in enough cash. More debt also means more risk, especially if income isn't growing.

If debt is going down, that's usually a good sign. It means the parish is paying off what it owes and becoming more financially stable. It could also mean they're spending wisely and managing money better.

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025

Assets and Liabilities

Relationship of Assets and Liabilities



The relationship between your Assets and Liabilities shows your net equity (net surplus/deficit) over time.

A higher **yellow** line (Unrestricted Cash/Savings) shows your parish holds more cash than you owe out.

A higher **red** line (liabilities) shows you owe more out than your parish holds in cash.

Note: Cash does not include any funds due, but not yet paid (e.g. Tuition Receivable)

Source: Financial Data reported per Intacct on 9/16/2025